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#### **ING Americas Issuance B.V.**

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# €40,000,000,000 Global Issuance Programme

#### Base Prospectus for the issuance of Medium Term Notes and Inflation Linked Notes

Under this Global Issuance Programme (the "Programme"), (i) ING Bank N.V. (the "Global Issuer", which expression shall include any Substituted Debtor (as defined in Condition 17 of the Terms and Conditions of the Notes), "ING Bank" or the "Bank" may from time to time issue notes (the "Notes", as more fully defined herein), (ii) ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch (the "Australian Issuer") may from time to time issue Notes and transferable deposits and (iii) ING Americas Issuance B.V. (the "Americas Issuer", which expression shall include any Substituted Debtor (as defined in Condition 17 of the Terms and Conditions of the Notes)) may from time to time issue Notes guaranteed by ING Bank N.V. (ING Bank N.V. in its capacity as guarantor under the Notes issued by the Americas Issuer, the "Guarantor").

This Base Prospectus was approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (the "AFM") for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC), as amended, to the extent that such amendments have been implemented in the relevant Member State of the European Economic Area (the "Prospectus Directive"), on 27 June 2016 in respect of the issue by the Issuers of PD Notes (as defined below). The AFM has provided the competent authorities in each of Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Portugal and Spain with a certificate of approval attesting that this Base Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.

Notes to be issued under the Programme during the period of twelve months from the date of this Base Prospectus, which are:

(a) offered to the public in the European Economic Area in circumstances which require the publication of a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive, whether or not such Notes are listed and admitted to trading on any market; or

(b) (i) admitted to trading on Euronext in Amsterdam, a regulated market of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. ("Euronext Amsterdam"); (ii) admitted to the official list of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (the "Official List"); (iii) admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (the "Luxembourg Stock Exchange"); (iv) (with respect to the Global Issuer only) admitted to trading on the regulated market of Euronext Paris S.A. ("Euronext Paris"); (v) (with respect to the Global Issuer only) admitted to trading on a regulated market of Borsa Italiana S.p.A. (the "Italian Stock Exchange"); (vi) admitted to trading on another regulated market within the European Economic Area or (vii) admitted to trading on an unregulated market as defined under Directive 2004/39/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on markets in financial instruments, as amended from time to time (the "Markets in Financial Instruments Directive"),

are hereinafter referred to as "PD Notes". PD Notes may be issued in any denomination as agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) (as defined herein), and any PD Notes which have a denomination of less than €100,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency) are referred to hereinafter as "Non-Exempt PD Notes" and any PD Notes which have a denomination of at least €100,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency at the date of issue of the Notes) are referred to hereinafter as "Exempt PD Notes".

The Issuers may also issue unlisted Notes and/or Notes not admitted to trading on any regulated market within the European Economic Area and, where such Notes are, in addition, issued with a minimum denomination of at least €100,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency at the date of issue of the Notes) or otherwise fall within an exemption from the requirement to publish a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive, such Notes are hereinafter referred to as "Exempt Notes".

The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer may from time to time issue PD Notes (which may be Non-Exempt PD Notes or Exempt PD Notes) and Exempt Notes. The Americas Issuer may from time to time issue Exempt PD Notes and Exempt Notes.

The AFM has neither approved nor reviewed information contained in this Base Prospectus in connection with the issue of any Exempt Notes.

Prospective investors should have regard to the factors described under the section headed "Risk Factors" of this Base Prospectus.

This Base Prospectus should be read and construed in conjunction with the relevant Registration Document (as defined herein).

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#### SUMMARY RELATING TO NON-EXEMPT PD NOTES

This summary applies only to Non-Exempt PD Notes issued by ING Bank N.V. (the "Global Issuer") and ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch (the "Australian Issuer").

Summaries are made up of disclosure requirements known as "Elements". These Elements are numbered in Sections A to E (A.1 to E.7). This summary contains all the Elements required to be included in a summary for the Notes and the Issuers. Because some Elements are not required to be addressed, there may be gaps in the numbering sequence of the Elements. Even though an Element may be required to be inserted in a summary because of the nature of the Notes and the Issuers, it is possible that no relevant information can be given regarding the Element. In this case, a short description of the Element should be included in the summary with the mention of "Not Applicable".

#### Section A- Introduction and warnings

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A.1	Warning and introduction	This summary must be read as an introduction to the Base Prospectus. Any decision to invest in the Notes should be based on a consideration of the Base Prospectus as a whole, including any documents incorporated by reference. Where a claim relating to the information contained in the Base Prospectus is brought before a court, the plaintiff may, under the national legislation of Member States of the European Economic Area where the claim is brought, be required to bear the costs of translating the Base Prospectus before the legal proceedings are initiated. Civil liability attaches only to those persons who have tabled the summary, including any translation thereof, but only if the summary is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent when read together with the other parts of the Base Prospectus or it does not provide, when read together with the other parts of the Base Prospectus, key information in order to aid investors when considering whether to invest in the Notes.
A.2	Consent by the Issuer to the use of the Base Prospectus for subsequent resale or final placement by financial intermediaries during the offer period indicated, and the conditions attached to such consent	Programme summary  The relevant Issuer may provide its consent to the use of the Base Prospectus and the applicable Final Terms for subsequent resale or final placement of Notes by financial intermediaries to whom the Issuer has given its consent to use the Base Prospectus (an "Authorised Offeror"), provided that the subsequent resale or final placement of Notes by such financial intermediaries is made during the Offer Period specified in the applicable Final Terms. Such consent may be subject to conditions which are relevant for the use of the Base Prospectus.  In the context of any Public Offer of Notes, the relevant Issuer accepts responsibility, in each of the Public Offer Jurisdictions, for the content of the Base Prospectus in relation to any person (an "Investor") who purchases any Notes in a Public Offer made by a Dealer or an Authorised Offeror, where that offer is made during the Offer Period (as specified in the applicable Final Terms).  Consent  The relevant Issuer consents and (in connection with paragraph (D) below) offers to grant its consent to the use of the Base Prospectus (as supplemented at the relevant time, if applicable) in connection with any Public Offer of a Tranche

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	of Notes in the Public Offer Jurisdictions specified in the applicable Final Terms during the Offer Period specified in the applicable Final Terms by:
	Specific consent
	(A) the Dealer or Managers specified in the applicable Final Terms;
	(B) any financial intermediaries specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
	(C) any other financial intermediary appointed after the date of the applicable Final Terms and whose name is published on the relevant Issuer's website (https://www.ingmarkets.com/en-nl/ing-markets/) and identified as an Authorised Offeror in respect of the relevant Public Offer; and
	General consent
	(D) if General Consent is specified in the applicable Final Terms as applicable, any other financial intermediary which (a) is authorised to make such offers under the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive; and (b) accepts such offer by publishing on its website a statement that it agrees to use the Base Prospectus in accordance with the Authorised Offeror Terms and subject to the conditions to such consent.
	Common conditions to consent
	The conditions to the relevant Issuer's consent are (in addition to the conditions described in paragraph (D) above if Part B of the Final Terms specifies "General Consent" as "Applicable") that such consent:
	(a) is only valid in respect of the relevant Tranche of Non-Exempt PD Notes;
	(b) is only valid during the Offer Period specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
	(c) only extends to the use of the Base Prospectus to make Public Offers of the relevant Tranche of Non-Exempt PD Notes in one or more of the Public Offer Jurisdictions, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.
	Issue specific summary  [Consent: Subject to the conditions set out below, the Issuer consents to the use
	of the Base Prospectus in connection with a Public Offer (as defined below) of Notes by the [Dealer][Manager][s][Issuer], [•], [and] [each financial intermediary whose name is published on the Issuer's website (https://www.ingmarkets.com/en-nl/ing-markets/) and identified as an Authorised Offeror in respect of the relevant Public Offer] [and any financial intermediary which is authorised to make such offers under the applicable legislation implementing Directive 2004/39/EC (the "Markets in Financial Instruments Directive") and publishes on its website the following statement (with the information in square brackets duly completed with the relevant information):
	"We, [specify legal name of financial intermediary], refer to the offer of [specify title of relevant Notes] (the "Notes") described in the Final Terms dated [specify date] (the "Final Terms") published by [ING Bank N.V.]/[ING

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	Bank N.V., Sydney Branch] (the "Issuer"). In consideration of the Issuer
	offering to grant its consent to our use of the Base Prospectus (as defined in the
	Final Terms) in connection with the offer of the Notes in [Austria, Belgium,
	France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Portugal and
	Spain] during the Offer Period in accordance with the Authorised Offeror
	Terms (as specified in the Base Prospectus), we accept the offer by the Issuer.
	We confirm that we are authorised under the Markets in Financial Instruments
	Directive to make, and are using the Base Prospectus in connection with, the
	Public Offer accordingly. Terms used herein and otherwise not defined shall
	have the same meaning as given to such terms in the Base Prospectus."
	A "Public Offer" of Notes is an offer of Notes (other than pursuant to Article
	3(2) of the Prospectus Directive) in [Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy,
	Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Portugal and Spain] during the Offer
	Period specified below. Those persons to whom the Issuer gives its consent in
	accordance with the foregoing provisions are the "Authorised Offerors" for
	such Public Offer.
	Offer Period: The Issuer's consent referred to above is given for Public Offers
	of Notes during the period from [●] to [●] (the "Offer Period").
	Conditions to consent: The conditions to the Issuer's consents [(in addition to
	the conditions referred to above)] are such that consent: (a) is only valid in
	respect of the relevant Tranche of Notes; (b) is only valid during the Offer
	Period; [and] (c) only extends to the use of the Base Prospectus to make Public
	Offers of the relevant Tranche of Notes in [Austria, Belgium, France, Germany,
	Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Portugal and Spain] [; and (d)
	[●]].
	An investor intending to acquire or acquiring Notes in a Public Offer from an
	Authorised Offeror other than the Issuer will do so, and offers and sales of such
	Notes to an investor by such Authorised Offeror will be made, in accordance
	with any terms and other arrangements in place between such Authorised
	Offeror and such investor, including as to price, allocations, expenses and
	settlement arrangements.
	Each investor must look to the relevant Authorised Offeror at the time of
	any such Public Offer for the provision of information regarding the terms
	and conditions of the Public Offer and the Authorised Offeror will be solely
	responsible for such information.]

## Section B - Issuer

Element	Title	
B.1	Legal and	(Complete for Notes issued by the Global Issuer)
	commercial name of the	[ING Bank N.V. (the "Global Issuer" or the "Issuer")]
	Issuer	(Complete for Notes issued by the Australian Issuer)
		[ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch (the "Australian Issuer" or the "Issuer")]

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B.2	The domicile and legal form of the Issuer, the legislation under which the Issuer operates and its country of incorporation	(Complete for Notes issued by the Australian Issuer)  [ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch is the Sydney, Australia branch of ING Bank N.V. and is not a standalone or separately incorporated legal entity and does not have any share capital.]  ING Bank N.V. is a public limited company (naamloze vennootschap) incorporated under the laws of The Netherlands on 12 November 1927, with its corporate seat (statutaire zetel) in Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
B.4b	A description of any known trends affecting the Issuer and the industries in which it operates	The results of operations of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) are affected by demographics and by a variety of market conditions, including economic cycles, banking industry cycles and fluctuations in stock markets, interest and foreign exchange rates, political developments and client behaviour changes.  **Macroeconomic developments in 2015**  Several interrelated themes stood out in 2015: the price of oil and other commodities, the resilience of the Chinese economy, and the timing and content of monetary policy measures in the US and the Eurozone. The oil price seemed to have reached a low early in the year and soon started to climb. But it resumed its slide in the second half of the year. This coincided with turmoil on Chinese stock markets and worldwide concerns about Chinese economic growth. These worries spread to other emerging markets While several emerging markets did indeed see economic growth decelerate, a sharp growth slowdown in China did not materialise in 2015, thanks in part to government stimulus measures.  **Meanwhile*, the US economy continued to grow at a modest pace in 2015, despite headwinds from a stronger dollar and reduced investment in the oil industry because of low oil prices. The labour market in particular did well, with unemployment falling to levels well below the long-term average. The question of when the US Federal Reserve would start raising rates was therefore a dominant theme for financial markets throughout the year. Expectations began to be tempered at mid-year when the slowdown in emerging markets sparked fears this would also take a toll on the US economy. The US economy remained strong enough however for the Federal Reserve to embark on the first rate hike in more than nine years at its December meeting.  **Eurozone developments**  In the Eurozone, 2015 saw a policy of further monetary expansion, helping to bring about a broadening of the recovery. Exports and low oil prices supported the Eurozone economy in the first half of the year, although th

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		driver behind the pick-up in both consumption and fixed capital formation.
		The weak and fragile nature of the recovery and falling inflation expectations prompted the European Central Bank (the "ECB") to embark on quantitative easing early in 2015. This sent Eurozone bond yields to unprecedented lows in the first half of the year. German government bond yields with a duration up to nine years turned negative for a short time. Important money market rates such as three-month Euribor and six-month Euribor sank below zero. As worries about a global slowdown mounted, the ECB announced in December that it will extend its quantitative easing until March 2017, and lowered the deposit rate a further 10 basis points to -0.3%.
		Lower interest rates helped shore up Eurozone credit demand. Bank lending to households accelerated modestly in 2015, while lending to businesses finally turned positive after three years of deleveraging. Marked differences between countries remain, with credit growth generally more positive in northern European countries, while still negative in southern ones.
		Low interest rate environment
		The current situation with persistent low interest rates may put banks' net interest income under pressure. On mortgages for instance, ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) could be confronted with higher than expected prepayment rates as the difference between rates on the existing mortgage portfolio and the prevailing market rate causes customers to refinance. On savings, the net interest income may decrease as possibilities for further reduction of client rates on savings deposits are limited. ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) actively manages its interest rate risk exposure and successfully maintained the net interest margin on its core lending franchise in 2015. To address the challenge of interest income erosion, containing costs remains an important goal. ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) is also putting more emphasis on generating feebased income and is reassessing its product characteristics.
		Progress on regulatory initiatives that are most relevant to ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch)
		November 2014 marked the start of the Single Supervisory Mechanism ("SSM"), with a central role for the ECB in the prudential supervision of Eurozone banks. This was a decisive moment in the creation of the European Banking Union.
		ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) has always been a strong supporter of the SSM. As a predominantly European cross-border universal bank, ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) have a clear interest in the proper functioning of European financial markets and in a harmonised approach to European supervision. ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) believes that it will contribute to a more efficient use of financial funds across Europe and as such should help to foster growth prospects of the European economy.
		After the first full year of operating under the new supervisory framework, banks' experiences are generally positive. The SSM aims to create the institutional conditions for overcoming fragmentation in supervisory practices. It is important that common methodologies and a shared culture are created within the SSM. That takes time. Some banks may experience challenges in the short term as they come to terms with the SSM supervisory approach. ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) expects that the SSM will increase its transparency as the system gets embedded.

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		As well as the SSM, 2015 saw preparations for the Single Resolution Mechanism ("SRM"). The SRM came into force on 1 January 2016. This aims to ensure an orderly resolution process for failing banks.
		With SSM and SRM, two of the three pillars of Banking Union have been established. Mutualisation of deposit guarantee schemes, the last remaining pillar, is progressing at a much slower pace. Lack of a common European deposit guarantee scheme leaves the Eurozone potentially vulnerable to bank-sovereign interdependency, despite the existence of the SSM. For national sovereigns remain, explicitly or implicitly, a liquidity provider of last resort for the deposit insurance scheme. When sovereigns get into trouble, deposit holders will worry that the national deposit guarantee scheme will be unable to meet its commitments should domestic banks fail. Greece's experience in 2015 made this clear. Capital controls had to be imposed to contain a bank run, and a euro deposited at a Greek bank was no longer de facto equal to a euro deposited at a bank in another member state.
		Payment Services Directive (PSD II)
		The second EU Directive on Payment Services ("PSD II") was adopted in October 2015. This aims to create an EU-wide single market for payments with a modern and comprehensive set of rules. The goal is to make cross-border payments as easy, efficient and secure as domestic payments within a member state. The PSD II also seeks to improve competition by opening up payment markets to new entrants, thus fostering greater efficiency and cost reduction. While implementation in national law could take several years, ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) sees the PSD II as an opportunity to develop new ways of serving its customers.
		Regulatory uncertainty
		The large number of new regulatory initiatives and consultations concerning banks' capitalisation continued to be a source of uncertainty in 2015. Examples are the ongoing discussions on bail-in-able instruments (MREL/ TLAC), but also discussions in the Basel Committee about the risk weighting methodology and the interest rate risk in the banking book. The main concern of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) is that there is insufficient overview of the combined impact of all initiatives. Moreover, it is unclear what regulatory end-state policymakers are aiming for. This regulatory uncertainty complicates multi-year strategic planning and pushes banks towards confining themselves to no-regret decisions. Also considering the competitive pressures and fast market developments outlined below, ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) believes this piecemeal approach to regulation is not in the best interest of banks and their stakeholders.
		In addition to more traditional financial-sector regulation, ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) noticed increasing regulatory interest in environmental and human rights impacts associated with its business activities. The Dutch Government initiative to come to a Banking Sector Agreement on international responsible business conduct, building on the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. There is a call on the part of the public for increased transparency and continuous debate on the matter in the EU Parliament. Regulators are also looking at the potential link between sustainability and financial risk. An example is the Financial Stability Board looking into potential financial risks of climate change regulation.
		Competitive landscape
		Technology is removing a number of the barriers to entry that once insulated the

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		business of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch). ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) faces competition from many different directions, with relatively new players providing more segmented offers to its customers and clients. Technology giants, payment specialists, retailers, telecommunication companies, crowd-funding initiatives and aggregators are all encroaching on traditional banking services. The clients of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch), in turn, are willing to consider these offers.
		The banking industry is highly regulated. Banks strive to act in the interests of their customers. Safe banking requires specific knowledge of financial services and in-depth knowledge of customers as well as rigorous risk-management systems. As competition from outside the banking sector continues to increase, ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) has to become faster, more agile and more innovative. ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) believes that its long track record as a financial institution and a strong brand give it a strong platform from which to face existing and future challenges and become a better company for all its stakeholders. ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) is a leader in digital banking, and it has scale combined with local market expertise. It is investing in building profitable, mutually beneficial relationships with its customers, based on the quality of its service and a differentiating customer experience. An example is the strategic partnership of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) with Kabbage. Together, they have launched a pilot project in Spain, offering small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) loans up to EUR 100,000. Kabbage's automated loan application and approval process is both accelerated and simple for customers. It makes use of full credit scoring and real-time risk monitoring and allows SMEs with an existing business account to get a loan within ten minutes, based on real-time business data.
		Fluctuations in equity markets
		The operations of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) are exposed to fluctuations in equity markets. ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) maintains an internationally diversified and mainly client-related trading portfolio. Accordingly, market downturns are likely to lead to declines in securities trading and brokerage activities which it executes for customers and, therefore, to a decline in related commissions and trading results. In addition to this, ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) also maintains equity investments in its own non-trading books. Fluctuations in equity markets may affect the value of these investments.
		Fluctuations in interest rates
		The operations of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) are exposed to fluctuations in interest rates. Mismatches in the interest repricing and maturity profile of assets and liabilities in the balance sheet of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) can affect the future interest earnings and economic value of the underlying banking operations of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch). In addition, changing interest rates may impact the (assumed) behaviour of customers, impacting the interest rate exposure, interest hedge positions and future interest earnings, the solvency and economic value of the underlying banking operations of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch). In the current low (and potentially negative) interest rate environment in the Eurozone, the stability of future interest earnings and margin also depends on the ability to actively manage pricing of customer assets and liabilities. Especially, the pricing of customer savings portfolios in relation to repricing customer assets and other investments

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		in the balance sheet is a key factor in the ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.		
		Fluctuations in exchange rates		
		ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank fluctuations in exchange rates. The man ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) of exc of its operations through the trading active prepares and publishes its consolidated substantial portion of the income and excluding ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) is denoted fluctuations in the exchange rates used the will impact its reported results of opera. This exposure is mitigated by the forcurrencies are translated into euro by more	hange rate sensitivity vities for its own accommon accomm	ank N.V. (including y affects the results count and because it in euros. Because a ank N.V. (including es other than euros, urrencies into euros s from year to year.
B.5	A description of the Issuer's group and the Issuer's position within the group	ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank Groep N.V. ("ING Group"). ING Grospectrum of companies (together called meet the needs of a broad customer base N.V., Sydney Branch) is a wholly-owner and currently offers retail banking services is enterprises and mid-corporates wholesale banking services to customultinational corporations, government supranational organisations.  (Complete for Notes issued by the Australian Ing Bank N.V., Sydney Branch is the	up is the holding c id "ING") offering late. ING Bank N.V. (in ed., non-listed subsiditions to individuals, in Europe, Asia comers around the ments, financial	ompany of a broad banking services to ncluding ING Bank liary of ING Group small and medium- and Australia and world, including institutions and
B.9	Profit forecast	N.V. and is the holder of an Australian Find Applicable. ING Bank N.V. (including the control of	ng ING Bank N.V.,	
	or estimate	not made any public profit forecasts or p		
B.10	Qualifications in the Auditors' report	Not Applicable. The audit reports on the audited financial statements of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) for the years ended 31 December 2014 and 31 December 2015 are unqualified.		
B.12	Selected	Key Consolidated Figures ING Bank N.	.V. <sup>(1)</sup>	
	historical key financial	(EUR millions)	2015	2014
	information / Significant or	Balance sheet <sup>(2)</sup>		
	material adverse change	Total assets	838,528	828,602
	adverse change	Total equity	41,495	38,686
		Deposits and funds borrowed <sup>(3)</sup>	660,104	640,243
		Loans and advances	536,543	518,119
		Results <sup>(4)</sup>		
		Total income	17,070	15,674
		Operating expenses	9,308	10,225
		Additions to loan loss provisions	1,347	1,594

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		Result before tax	6,415	3,855
		Taxation	1,684	1,032
		Net result (before minority interests)	4,731	2,823
		Attributable to Shareholders of the parent	4,659	2,744
		Ratios (in %)		
		BIS ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	16.04	15.53
		Tier-1 ratio <sup>(6)</sup>	13.43	12.52
		Notes:		
		(1) These figures have been derived from ING Bank N.V. in respect of the firm 2014 and 2015 respectively.		
		(2) At 31 December.		
		(3) Figures including Banks and Debt s	ecurities.	
		(4) For the year ended 31 December.		
		(5) BIS ratio = BIS capital as a perc Note: As of 2014, these Risk Weigh phased-in.	-	•
		(6) Tier-1 ratio = Available Tier-1 of Weighted Assets. Note: As of 2014 based on Basel III phased-in.		
		Significant or Material Adverse Change		
		At the date hereof, there has been no sign of ING Bank N.V. (including ING I consolidated subsidiaries since 31 Decem	Bank N.V., Sy	
		At the date hereof, there has been no mat ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N. 2015.		
B.13	Recent material events particular to the Issuer's solvency	Not Applicable. There are no recent (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Br relevant to the evaluation of the solven Bank N.V., Sydney Branch).	anch) which a	re to a material extent
B.14	Dependence upon other	The description of the group and the post Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) within the gr		
	group entities	Not Applicable. ING Bank N.V. (including not dependent upon other entities within		N.V., Sydney Branch) is
B.15	A description of the Issuer's principal activities	ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank I retail banking services to individuals, sr mid-corporates in Europe, Asia and Aust customers around the world, including m financial institutions and supranational or	nall and mediu ralia and whole ultinational cor	m-sized enterprises and sale banking services to

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B.16	Extent to which the Issuer is directly or indirectly owned or controlled	ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) is a wholly-owned, non-listed subsidiary of ING Groep N.V.
B.17	Credit ratings assigned to the Issuer or its debt securities	Programme summary  ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) has a senior debt rating from Standard & Poor's Credit Market Services Europe Limited ("Standard & Poor's"), Moody's Investors Service Ltd. ("Moody's") and Fitch France S.A.S. ("Fitch"), details of which are contained in the relevant Registration Document. Standard & Poor's, Moody's and Fitch are established in the European Union and are registered under Regulation (EC) No. 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 September 2009 on credit rating agencies, as amended from time to time (the "CRA Regulation").
		Tranches of Notes to be issued under the Programme may be rated or unrated. Where a Tranche of Notes is to be rated, such rating will not necessarily be the same as the rating assigned to ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch), the Programme or Notes already issued under the Programme.  *Issue specific summary*
		[The Notes to be issued [are not] [have been] [are expected to be] rated [[•] by [Standard & Poor's] [Moody's] [Fitch] [•]].]
		A security rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to suspension, reduction or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating agency.

## **Section C– Securities**

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C.1	A description of the type and class of securities being		ary are financial instruments which may be issued	
	offered and/or admitted to trading, including any security identification number	under the €40,000,000,000,000 Global Issuance Programme.  The Notes will be issued in series (each, a "Series") having one or more issue dates and on terms otherwise identical (or identical other than in respect of the issue date and first payment of interest), the Notes of each Series being intended to be interchangeable with all other Notes of that Series. Each Series may be issued in tranches (each, a "Tranche") on the same or different issue dates. The specific terms of each Tranche will be completed in the final terms (the "Final Terms").  Issue specific summary  The Notes are [[•] [•] per cent. Fixed Rate Notes/Floating Rate Notes/Zero Coupon Notes/Variable Interest Rate Notes/Inflation Linked Notes/Tailor-Made Interest Notes/Step-Up Interest Notes/Floater Interest Notes/Floater with Lock-In Interest Notes/Reverse Floater Interest Notes/Ratchet Floater Interest Notes/Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes/Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes/Steepener Interest Notes/Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Notes/Inverse Range Accrual Interest Notes/KO Range Accrual Interest Notes/Dual Range Accrual Interest Notes/Snowball Interest Notes/SnowRanger Interest Notes/Barrier(Rates) Interest Notes/J(Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest Notes)/[Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed Interest Notes]/[Inflation Indexed Redemption Notes]/[Inflation Indexed Redemption with Floor Notes]] due [•].		
		Series Number:	[•]	
		Tranche Number:  [•] (delete if not applicable)  [The Notes will be consolidated and form a single Series with [identify earlier Tranches  Aggregate Nominal Amount:  [•]  (i) Series:  [•] (delete if not applicable)		
		(ii) Tranche:	[ullet] (delete if not applicable)	
		Issue Price: [[●] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal Amount [plus accrued interest from [●]]] [[● per Unit].  Specified Denomination: [●]		
		Calculation Amount:	[•]	
		CA Factor:	[•]	
		Form of Notes: [•]		
		ISIN Code:	[•]	
		Common Code: [●] (delete if not applicable)		
C.2	Currency of the	Programme summary		
	securities issue	The currency of each Series of Notes issued will be agreed between the Issuers and		

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		the relevant Dealer (if any) at the time of issue, subject to any applicable legal or regulatory restrictions.  *Issue specific summary**  The Notes are denominated in [•].
C.5	A description of any restrictions on the free transferability of the securities	Programme summary  The Issuer and the Dealers have agreed certain customary restrictions on offers, sale and delivery of Notes and of the distribution of offering material in the United States, the European Economic Area, Australia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, the Cayman Islands, Czech Republic, Chile, Finland, France, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, The Netherlands, Panama, the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of the Philippines, Romania, Russia, Singapore, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Turkey, the United Kingdom, Uruguay and Venezuela.  For the purposes of Regulation S, Category 2 selling restrictions shall apply.  Issue specific summary  The Issuer and the Dealers have agreed certain customary restrictions on offers, sale and delivery of Notes and of the distribution of offering material in the United States, the European Economic Area, Australia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, the Cayman
		Islands, Czech Republic, Chile, Finland, France, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, The Netherlands, Panama, the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of the Philippines, Romania, Russia, Singapore, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Turkey, the United Kingdom, Uruguay and Venezuela.  Reg. S Compliance Category 2.  TEFRA [C/TEFRA D/TEFRA not applicable]
C.8	A description of rights attached to the Notes, including ranking and any limitations to those rights	Status  The Notes will constitute direct, unconditional, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and will rank pari passu among themselves and (save for certain debts required to be preferred by law) equally with all other unsecured obligations (other than subordinated obligations, if any) of the Issuer from time to time outstanding.  (Complete for Notes issued by the Australian Issuer)  [Claims against the Australian Issuer are subject to Section 11F of the Banking Act 1959 of Australia which provides that if the Australian Issuer (whether in or outside Australia) suspends payment or is unable to meet its obligations, the assets of the Australian Issuer in Australia are to be available to meet the Australian Issuer's liabilities in Australia in priority to all other liabilities of the Australian Issuer. Further, under Section 86 of the Reserve Bank Act 1959 of Australia, debts due by an ADI (including the Australian Issuer) to the Reserve Bank of Australia shall, in a winding up of that ADI, have priority over all other debts.]
		Taxation  The Notes will not contain any provision that would oblige the Issuer to gross up any amounts payable in respect of interest or principal in the event of any withholding or

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		deduction for or on account of taxes levied in any jurisdiction. The Issuer may also elect to redeem Notes if it would be required, on the occasion of the next payment due in respect of the Notes, to withhold or account for tax in respect of the Notes.
		Negative pledge
		The terms of the Notes do not contain a negative pledge provision.
		Events of Default
		The terms of the Notes contain, amongst others, the following events of default ("Events of Default"):
		(Complete for Notes issued by the Global Issuer)
		(i) [default is made for more than 30 days in the payment of interest or principal in respect of the Notes; or
		(ii) the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Notes and such failure has continued for the period of 60 days next following the service on the relevant Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
		(iii) the Issuer is declared bankrupt (failliet verklaard) or granted a moratorium (surseance van betaling); or
		(iv) a declaration in respect of the Issuer is made to apply the emergency regulation (noodregeling) under Chapter 3, Section 3.5.5.1 of the Dutch Financial Supervision Act (Wet op het financieel toezicht); or
		(v) an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding-up or liquidation of the Issuer unless this is done in connection with a merger, consolidation or other form of combination with another company, the terms of which merger, consolidation or combination (A) have the effect of the emerging or such other surviving company assuming all obligations contracted for by the Issuer in connection with the Notes or (B) have previously been approved by an Extraordinary Resolution of the holders of the Notes.]
		(Complete for Notes issued by the Australian Issuer)
		(i) [default is made for more than 30 days in the payment of interest or principal in respect of the Notes; or
		(ii) the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Notes and such failure has continued for the period of 60 days next following the service on the Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
		(iii) the Issuer becomes insolvent or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due (within the meaning of the Corporations Act 2001 of Australia).]
		Meetings and written resolutions
		The conditions of the Notes contain provisions for calling meetings of holders of the Notes to consider matters affecting their interests generally. These provisions permit defined majorities to bind all holders, including holders who did not attend and vote at the relevant meeting and holders who voted in a manner contrary to the majority. Actions may also be taken by means of written resolution.
		Governing law

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		The Notes will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, English law.	
C.9	Interest: The nominal interest rate, the date from which interest becomes payable and the due dates for interest, a description of the underlying on which it is based, maturity date and arrangements for amortisation including repayment procedures, an indication of yield and the name of the representative of debt security holders	Programme summary  Fixed Rate Notes  Fixed Rate Notes will bear interest at the fixed rate specified in the Final Terms. The interest rate payable on Fixed Rate Notes remains constant throughout the life of the Notes and is not subject to variation.  Floating Rate Notes  Floating Rate Notes will bear interest either at a rate determined: (i) on the same basis as the floating rate under a notional interest rate swap transaction in the relevant specified currency governed by an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions (as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., and as amended and updated as at the issue date of the first Tranche of the Notes of the relevant Series); or (ii) on the basis of a reference rate appearing on the agreed screen page of a commercial quotation service.  Zero Coupon Notes  Zero Coupon Notes will be offered and sold at par or at a discount to their nominal amount. Zero Coupon Notes do not bear interest and an investor will not receive any return on the Notes until redemption.  Variable Interest Rate Notes  Initial Fixed Rate Period  The Final Terms for any Series of Variable Interest Rate Notes may specify that there will be a "Fixed Rate Period". If so, the Notes will bear interest at the specified fixed rate of interest during the Fixed Rate Period, and only after the end of the Fixed Rate Period will the variable interest basis apply.  Tailor-Made Interest Notes  Tailor-Made Interest Notes will bear interest at a floating rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin specified in the Final Terms.  Step-Up Interest Notes  Step-Up Interest Notes  Tor each interest poted (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a floating rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin specified in the Final Terms.  Floater Interest Notes  Floater with Lock-In Interest Notes  Floater with Lock-In Interest Notes  Floater with Lock-In In	
		Final Terms) the rate of interest specified as the "Lock-In" for that interest period then the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for that interest period and all subsequent interest periods will be the rate specified as "Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t)".	
		Reverse Floater Interest Notes	

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		For each interest period (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest calculated by subtracting from a specified fixed rate of interest (referred to as the "Fix") the underlying rate specified in the Final Terms.
		Ratchet Floater Interest Notes
		For each interest period (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin specified in the Final Terms, subject to a "ratchet" feature as described below.
		Ratchet Floor without Cap:
		If the Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Floor without Cap" applies, then the variable rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period (other than the "Fixed Rate Period" referred to above) will be the higher of (1) the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period plus the "ratchet" percentage that applies to the current interest period and (2) the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin for the current interest period.  Ratchet Floor with Cap:
		If the Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Floor with Cap" applies, then the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period will be the higher of (1) the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period plus the "ratchet" percentage that applies to the current interest period and (2) the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin for the current interest period, provided that the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period will not exceed the "Cap" applicable to that interest period.
		Ratchet Cap without Floor:  If the Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Cap without Floor" applies then the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the first interest period (or for the first interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) will be equal to the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin for that interest period. For any subsequent interest period the rate of interest will be the lower of (1) the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period plus the "ratchet" percentage that applies to the current interest period and (2) the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin for the current interest period.  Ratchet Cap with Floor:
		If the Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Cap with Floor" applies then the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the first interest period (or for the first interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) will be equal to the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin for that interest period, subject to a minimum of the "Floor". For any subsequent interest period, the rate of interest will be the lower of (1) the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period plus the "ratchet" percentage that applies to the current interest period and (2) the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin for the current interest period, provided that the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period will not be lower than the "Floor" applicable to that interest period.

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		Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes
		If the Notes are Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes, then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest, but the Issuer has the option to switch the interest rate from the specified fixed rate to a floating rate for future interest periods upon giving Noteholders a minimum number of business days' notice.
		Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes
		If the Notes are Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes, then the Notes will bear interest at a floating rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin specified in the Final Terms, but the Issuer has the option to switch the interest rate from the floating rate of interest to a specified fixed rate of interest for future interest periods upon giving Noteholders a minimum number of business days' notice.
		Steepener Interest Notes
		For each interest period (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the difference (referred to as the "Spread") between two underlying rates (referred to as "Underlying Rate1" and "Underlying Rate2") specified in the Final Terms.
		Steepener with Lock-In Interest Notes
		Steepener with Lock-In Interest Notes have the same characteristics as Steepener Interest Notes, except that if the Rate of Interest that would otherwise be payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period exceeds, or equals or exceeds, (as specified in the Final Terms) the rate of interest specified as the "Lock-In" for that interest period, then the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for that interest period and all subsequent interest periods will be the applicable "Rate of Interest(Lock-In)".
		Range Accrual(Rates) Interest Notes
		For each interest period (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the number of range accrual observation days within the relevant range accrual observation period when the relevant range accrual reference rate was within a specified range.
		Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Notes
		Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Notes have the same characteristics as Range Accrual(Rates) Interest Notes except that, instead of a range accrual reference rate, the Rate of Interest is calculated using the difference between two range accrual reference rates.
		Inverse Range Accrual Interest Notes
		For each interest period (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the number of range accrual observation days within the relevant range accrual observation period when the relevant range accrual reference rate was within a specified range.
		KO Range Accrual Interest Notes  For each interest period (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has
		ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on whether the

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		relevant range accrual reference rate was within a specified range on every range accrual observation day within the relevant range accrual observation period.
		Dual Range Accrual Interest Notes
		Dual Range Accrual Interest Notes have the same characteristics as Range
		Accrual(Rates) Interest Notes, except that the variable rate of interest is determined by the number of range accrual observation days within the relevant range accrual observation period when both the "Range Accrual Reference Factor1" and the "Range Accrual Reference Factor2" were within a specified range.
		Snowball Interest Notes
		For the first interest period (or for the first interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest. For every subsequent interest period, the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest calculated as the sum of (1) the rate of interest applicable to the Notes for the previous interest period and (2) a rate equal to a specified fixed rate (referred to as "Fix") minus the underlying rate.
		SnowRanger Interest Notes
		For each interest period (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the number of range accrual observation days within the relevant range accrual observation period when the relevant range accrual reference rate was within a specified range.
		Barrier(Rates) Interest Notes
		For each interest period (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a floating rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin specified in the Final Terms.
		Inflation Linked Notes
		Notes issued under the Base Prospectus may also be Inflation Linked Notes. Inflation Linked Notes may take the form of either Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest Notes or Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed Interest Notes.
		Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest Notes
		For each interest period (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the percentage change in the level of the specified Inflation Index between the level of the Inflation Index for the Reference Month specified as being Reference Month(t-1) and the level of the Inflation Index for the Reference Month specified as being Reference Month(t) for the relevant interest period and interest payment date, plus the applicable (positive or negative) margins.
		Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed Interest Notes
		For each interest period (or for each interest period after any Fixed Rate Period has ended), the Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest, but the fixed rate of interest will be adjusted to take into account changes in the level of the specified Inflation Index between the level of the Inflation Index in respect of the Reference Month specified in the Final Terms as the Initial Reference Month and the level of the Inflation Index for the Reference Month specified as being Reference Month(t) for the relevant interest period and interest payment date.

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		Multipliers		
	In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "m "participation" may be applied to the underlying rate, floating rate, so rate or other component (each a "Component"), meaning that the multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative relevant Component. If the multiplier is greater than 100 per cent. negative changes in the relevant Component will be magnified. If the less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the under be scaled down.			
		Caps		
		= -	pecify the cap as being n	Notes may also be subject to a cap. not applicable, the cap represents the d to pay on the Notes.
		The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor.  Unless the Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.		
		Interest Payment Dates	and Day Count Fraction	es.
		Interest will be payable in arrear on each interest payment date, and will be calculated on the basis of the day count fraction, in each case specified in the Final Terms.		
		Issue specific summary		
		Interest		
		[The Notes will bear interest payable at [a fixed rate]/[a floating rate]/[a variable rate] [which may be determined in respect of an Interest Period(t) and its related Interest Payment Date(t) by reference to [Underlying Rate(t)]/[Underlying Rate1(t)][and Underlying Rate2(t)].  The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates and [the Underlying Rate(t)]/[the Underlying Rate1(t)][and Underlying Rate2(t)] are specified in the table below:		
		Interest Period(t) Interest Payment Date(t)		
		(Insert Date)	(Insert Date)	
		<b>Underlying Rate(t)</b>	<b>Underlying Rate1(t)</b>	Underlying Rate2(t)
		(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))

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		[There is a [short]/[long] coupon [payable on the Interest Payment Date falling [in]/[on][•]].] [Business Date Convention: [Modified] Following Business Day Convention		
		[(Adjusted)]/[(Unadjusted)].]		
		[If the Notes are Fixed Rate Notes the following shall be applicable:]  The Notes are fixed rate Notes ("Fixed Rate Notes"). Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date at the fixed rate of [•] per cent. per annum. The yield of the Notes is [•] per cent. Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear on each Interest Payment Date[, subject to adjustment for non-business days].		
		The Interest Payment Dates are [●].		
		[If the Notes are Floating Rate Notes the following shall be applicable:]		
		The Notes are floating rate Notes ("Floating Rate Notes"). Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date at a floating rate calculated by reference to [•] [plus/minus] a margin of [•] per cent. [per annum/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly]. Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear on each Interest Payment Date[, subject to adjustment for non-business days].		
		The Interest Payment Dates are [●].		
		[If the Notes are Zero Coupon Notes the following shall be applicable:]		
		The Notes are zero coupon Notes ("Zero Coupon Notes") and do not bear interest.		
		[If the Notes are Tailor-Made Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:]		
		The Notes are Notes to which the Tailor-Made Interest terms apply ("Tailor-Made Interest Notes"). Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date for each Interest Period at a variable rate equal to the sum of (i) the product of Multiplier(t) and Underlying Rate(t) plus (ii) Underlying Margin(t), subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t).		
		The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier, Underlying Rate,		
		Underlying Margin, Cap and Floor for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:		
		Interest Period(t) Interest Payment Date(t)		
		(Insert Period) (Insert Date)		
		Multiplier(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		

Element	Title		
		Underlying Rate(t)	Underlying Margin(t)
		(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

Cap(t)	Floor(t)
(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

[If the Notes are Step-Up Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:]

The Notes are Notes to which the Step-Up Interest terms apply ("Step-Up Interest Notes").

(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each, a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date") [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Fixed Rate Interest Periods, Fixed Rate Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Rate Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

(If the Final Terms do not specify that Fixed Rate Period is "Applicable", and the Interest Period is the first Interest Period:)

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date to (but excluding) the Interest Payment Date falling on [●][, subject to adjustment for non-business days,] at a fixed rate equal to [●] per cent. per annum (the "Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)").

(In respect of (i) the second and any subsequent Interest Period where "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms, or (ii) "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms but the Fixed Rate Period has ended and such Interest Period is a Variable Rate Interest Period)

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	outstanding nominal amounterest in respect of the pand (ii) the Step annually/quarterly/month (and including) [•] [to adjustment for non-busing The Interest Periods, In	previous Interest Period p-Up(t). Interest wely] in arrear at this rate of (and including) [•]/ess days].	each Note bears interest or equal to the sum of (i) the rat (and related Interest Payment I ill be paid [annually/s on each Interest Payment Date : [the Maturity Date]][, subject and the Step-Up for each Int	
	Period are specified in the Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)		
	(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)		
	Step-Up(t)  (Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))  [If the Notes are Floater The Notes are Notes to Notes").	-	<i>ing shall be applicable:]</i> est terms apply (" <b>Floater Into</b>	
	(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)			
	Interest Period specified a fixed rate equal to [annually/semi-annually/d Payment Date specified a	in the table below (each the Rate of Interest quarterly/monthly] in a in the table below (each	ominal amount from [•] for a "Fixed Rate Interest Period (Fixed)(t). Interest will be rrear at this rate on each Int a a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment for non-business days].	
			rest Payment Dates and the Rad are specified in the table below	
	Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)	
	(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest	

(In respect of (i) any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms, and (ii) any Variable Rate Interest Period)

[In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each] [Each] Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate equal to the sum of (i) the product of

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		subject to a maximum ra equal to Floor(t). Interest arrear at this rate on eac including) [•]/[the Matur	te of interest equal to Ca t will be paid [annually/ th Interest Payment Date tity Date]][, subject to acterest Payment Dates, M	and (ii) the Underlying Margin(t), ap(t) and a minimum rate of interest semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in the from (and including) [•] [to (and injustment for non-business days].  Multiplier, Underlying Margin, Cap the table below:
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	
		Multiplier(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Underlying Rate(t)	Underlying Margin(t)	]
		(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		Cap(t)	Floor(t)	
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		applicable:]		rest Notes the following shall be with Lock-In Interest terms apply
			st Period for which "Fi	xed Interest Period" is specified as
		Interest Period specified a fixed rate equal to [annually/semi-annually/ Payment Date specified	st on its outstanding n in the table below (each the Rate of Interest quarterly/monthly] in a in the table below (each	ominal amount from [•] for each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at (Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid rrear at this rate on each Interest a a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment ment for non-business days].

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			· ·	rest Payment Dates and the Rate of d are specified in the table below:
		Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))
		"Not Applicable" in the Period)  [In respect of each Intercoutstanding nominal amount the Multiplier(t) and the subject to a maximum ratequal to Floor(t), provide In(t), the rate of interest Interest Payment Dates of [annually/semi-annually/Payment Date from (and subject to adjustment for The Interest Periods, Interest Periods, Interest Periods)	est Period thereafter, each ount at a variable rate equal to Carled that, if such rate is goin respect of such Interest equal to Carled that, if such rate is goin respect of such Interest equal to Carled that, if such rate is goin respect of such Interest equarterly/monthly] in an including) [•] [to (and it is non-business days].	ixed Interest Period" is specified as and (ii) any Variable Rate Interest h.] [Each] Note bears interest on its qual to the sum of (i) the product of and (ii) the Underlying Margin(t), ap(t) and a minimum rate of interest greater than [or equal to] the Lockest Payment Date and all subsequent est(Lock-In)(t). Interest will be paid great at this rate on each Interest including) [•]/[the Maturity Date]][, aultiplier, Underlying Margin, Lockeach Interest Period are specified in
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	
		Multiplier(t)	]	
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Underlying Margin(t)	]	
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		

Element	Title		
		Lock-In(t)	Rate of Interest (Lock- In)(t)
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))

Cap(t)	Floor(t)
(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

[If the Notes are Reverse Floater Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:] The Notes are Notes to which the Reverse Floater Interest terms apply ("Reverse Floater Interest Notes").

(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [•] for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date") [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Fixed Rate Interest Periods, Fixed Rate Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Rate Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))

(In respect of (i) any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms, and (ii) any Variable Rate Interest Period)

[In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each] [Each] Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate equal to (i) Fix(t) minus (ii) the product of the Multiplier(t) and the Underlying Rate(t), subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) [•] [to (and including) [•]/[the Maturity Date]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates Fix, Multiplier, Cap and Floor for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:

]	Element	Title		
			Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)
			(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)

Fix(t)	Multiplier(t)
(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

Cap(t)	Floor(t)
(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

[If the Notes are Ratchet Floater Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:]

The Notes are Notes to which the Ratchet Floater Interest terms apply ("Ratchet Floater Interest Notes").

(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [•] for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each, a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date") [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Fixed Rate Interest Periods, Fixed Rate Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Rate Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

(In respect of (i) any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms, and (ii) any Variable Rate Interest Period)

(Where "Ratchet Floor without Cap" or "Ratchet Floor with Cap" are specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)

[In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each] [Each] Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate equal to the greater of (i) the sum of

Element	Title			
		previous Interest Period per cent.) and (2) the Multiplier2(t) and the Un to a maximum rate of into Interest will be paid [and on each Interest Paymen Maturity Date]][, subject (Where "Ratchet Cap wie "Applicable" in the apple Period)  In respect of the first Interest of the sum of (i) the and (ii) the Underlying Floor(t)]. Interest will be non-business days].  In respect of all subsequents of the lesser of (i) the sinterest on the previous the first Interest Payment of (1) the product of the Underlying Margin(t)[, Interest will be paid [and on each Interest Payment Maturity Date]][, subject The Interest Periods, Int	(or, if the Interest Period Ratchet(t) and (ii) the inderlying Rate(t) and (2) erest equal to Cap(t)]. Interest equal to adjustment for non-but it thout Floor" or "Ratchet interest Period [following the interest on its outstanding the product of the Multip Margin(t)[, subject to a repaid in arrear at this rate equent Interest Periods, but from [•] for each Interest Payment Date (of the Date, zero per cent.) and the Multiplier2(t) and the subject to a minimum interest Payment (and includite to adjustment for non-but interest Payment Dates, interest Payment Dates, interest Payment Dates,	e end of the last Fixed Rate Interest genominal amount at a variable rate lier2(t) and the Underlying Rate(t) minimum rate of interest equal to e on [•][, subject to adjustment for each Note bears interest on it terest Period at a variable rate equal of the Multiplier1(t) and the rate of r, if the Interest Payment Date(t) is d (2) the Ratchet(t) and (ii) the sum are Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the rate of interest equal to Floor(t) reterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate ring) [•] [to (and including) [•]/[the isiness days].  Ratchet, Multiplier1, Multiplier2
		below:		est Period are specified in the table
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	
		Ratchet(t)  (Insert percentage in respect of each Interest		
		Period(t))		
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		Multiplier1(t)	Multiplier2(t)	

Element	Title		
		respect of each Interest Period(t))	respect of each Interest Period(t))
		Underlying Margin(t)	

# Underlying Margin(t) (Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

Cap(t)	Floor(t)
(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

[If the Notes are Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:]

The Notes are Notes to which the Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest terms apply ("Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes").

In respect of each Interest Period commencing before any Interest Payment Date in respect of which the Issuer exercises its option to switch the interest basis of the Notes from the fixed rate to the floating rate, each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))

In respect of each Interest Period commencing with the Interest Period which commences on the Interest Payment Date following the valid exercise by the Issuer of its option to switch the interest basis of the Notes from the fixed rate to the floating rate, each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate equal to the sum of (i) the product of the Multiplier(t) and the Underlying Rate(t) and (ii) the Underlying Margin(t), subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) the Interest Payment Date(t) following the valid

Element	Title			
		exercise by the Issuer of its option to switch the interest payable on the Notes to (and including) the Maturity Date[, subject to adjustment for non-business days].		
		The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier, Underlying Margin, Cap and Floor for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:		
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	
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		Multiplier(t)	Underlying Margin(t)	
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		Cap(t)	Floor(t)	
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		[If the Notes are Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:]  The Notes are Notes to which the Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest terms apply ("Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes").		
		In respect of each Interer respect of which the Issa Notes from the floating outstanding nominal amount the Multiplier(t) and the subject to a maximum ratequal to Floor(t). Interest arrear at this rate on each Commencement Date to valid exercise by the Issa subject to adjustment for	sst Period commencing be user exercises its option to g rate to the fixed rate punt at a variable rate equal to Underlying Rate(t) and the of interest equal to Cast the will be paid [annually/sech Interest Payment Date (and including) the last Interest of its option to switch non-business days].	efore any Interest Payment Date in a switch the interest basis from the each Note bears interest on its ual to the sum of (i) the product of and (ii) the Underlying Margin(t), p(t) and a minimum rate of interest emi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in the from (and including) the Interest naterest Payment Date(t) prior to the the interest payable on the Notes[,
		and Floor for each Intere	st Period are specified in	Iultiplier, Underlying Margin, Cap the table below:
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	

Element	Title		
		Multiplier(t)	Underlying Margin(t)
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

Cap(t)	Floor(t)
(Insert percentage in	(Insert percentage in
respect of each Interest	respect of each Interest
Period(t))	Period(t))

In respect of each Interest Period commencing with the Interest Period which commences on the Interest Payment Date following the valid exercise by the Issuer of its option to switch the interest basis from the Notes from the floating rate to the fixed rate, each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))

[If the Notes are Steepener Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:]

The Notes are Notes to which the Steepener Interest terms apply ("Steepener Interest Notes").

(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [•] for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date") [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Fixed Rate Interest Periods, Fixed Rate Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Rate Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))

Element	Title			
		"Not Applicable" in the Period)	applicable Final Terms,	ixed Interest Period" is specified as and (ii) any Variable Rate Interest
		[In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each] [Each] Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate equal to the product of the Multiplier(t) and the Spread(t), subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) [•] [to (and including) [•]/[the Maturity Date]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].		
		The Spread(t) represents from the Underlying Rate		e Underlying Rate2(t) is subtracted
		The Interest Periods, Interest Period are specifi		Multiplier, Cap and Floor for each
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	
		Multiplier(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Cap(t)	Floor(t)	]
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		applicable:]		rest Notes the following shall be
		The Notes are Notes to which the Steepener with Lock-In Interest terms apply ("Steepener with Lock-In Interest Notes").		
		(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)		
		Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [•] for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment").		
		Date") [to (and including	g) [●]][, subject to adjust	ment for non-business days]. rest Payment Dates and the Rate of

	Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Rate Interest Period are specified in the table below:			
	Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)	
	(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))	

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(In respect of (i) any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms, and (ii) any Variable Rate Interest Period)

[In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each] [Each] Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate equal to the product of the Multiplier(t) and the Spread(t), subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t), provided that if such rate is greater than [or equal to] the Lock-In(t), the rate of interest in respect of such Interest Payment Date(t) and all subsequent Interest Payment Date(t)s will be the Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t).

The Spread(t) represents the difference when the Underlying Rate2(t) is subtracted from the Underlying Rate1(t).

Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) [•] [to (and including) [•]/[the Maturity Date]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier, Lock-In, Rate of Interest(Lock-In), Cap and Floor for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)

Multiplier(t)		
(Insert percentage	in	
respect of each Inter	est	
Period(t))		

Lock-In(t)	Rate of Interest (Lock- In)(t)
(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))

Element	Title		
		Cap(t)	Floor(t)
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))
		[If the Notes are Rang	ge Accrual(Rates) Intere

[If the Notes are Range Accrual(Rates) Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:]

The Notes are Notes to which the Range Accrual(Rates) Interest terms apply ("Range Accrual(Rates) Interest Notes").

(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [•] for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date") [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Fixed Rate Interest Periods, Fixed Rate Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Rate Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))

(In respect of (i) any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms, and (ii) any Variable Rate Interest Period)

[In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each] [Each] Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate calculated as follows:

1. First, (i) the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) is greater than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Floor(t) [and]/[or] less than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Cap(t) ("n"), is divided by (ii) the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period ("N"), (the resulting fraction being the "Range Accrual Fraction").

The Range Accrual Observation Period in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) is the period [from (and including) two business days before the previous Interest Payment Date to (and including) three business days before such Interest Payment Date(t)][specify other period].

The Range Accrual Observation Dates are [•].

2. Secondly, (i) the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier1(t) and (B) the

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		Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin1(t), is multiplied by (ii) the Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting Rate of Interest is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".			
		3. Thirdly, (i) the difference when n is subtracted from N, is divided by (ii) N (the resulting fraction being the "Inverse Range Accrual Fraction").			
		4. Fourthly, (i) the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier2(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin2(t), is multiplied by (ii) the Inverse Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting Rate of Interest is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".			
		5. The Rate of Interest payable by the Issuer in respect of the relevant Interest Period will be the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and Inverse Range Accrual Rate, subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t).			
		Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) [●] [to (and including) [●]/[the Maturity Date]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].  The Interest Pariads, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier Multiplier Underlying			
		The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier1, Multiplier2, Underlying Margin1, Underlying Margin2, Range Accrual Reference Rate, Range Accrual Floor Range Accrual Cap, Cap and Floor for each Interest Period are specified in the tab below:			
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)		
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)		
		Multiplier1(t)	Multiplier2(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Underlying Margin1(t)	Underlying Margin2(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Range Accrual Reference Rate(t)	Range Accrual Floor(t)	Range Accrual Cap(t)	
		(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	

Element	Title					
		Cap(t)	Floor(t)			
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))			
		[If the Notes are Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:]				
		The Notes are Notes to which the Range Accrual(Spread) Interest terms apply ("Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Notes").				
		(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)				
		Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [•] for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date") [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].  The Fixed Rate Interest Periods, Fixed Rate Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Rate Interest Period are specified in the table below:				
		Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)		
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		(In respect of (i) any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms, and (ii) any Variable Rate Interest Period)				
		[In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each] [Each] Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate calculated as follows:				
		1. First, (i) the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) is greater than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Floor(t) [and]/[or] less than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Cap(t) ("n"), is divided by (ii) the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period ("N"), (the resulting fraction being the "Range Accrual Fraction").				
		The Range Accrual Observation Period in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) is the period [from (and including) two business days before the previous Interest Payment Date to (and including) three business days before such Interest Payment Date(t)][specify other period].  The Range Accrual Observation Dates are [•].				

Element	Title			
		The "Range Accrual Reference Spread" represents the difference when the Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t) is subtracted from the Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t).  2. Secondly, (i) the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier1(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin1(t), is multiplied by (ii) the Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting Rate of Interest is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".  3. Thirdly, (i) the difference when n is subtracted from N, is divided by (ii) N (the resulting fraction being the "Inverse Range Accrual Fraction").  4. Fourthly, (i) the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier2(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin2(t), is multiplied by (ii) the Inverse Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting Rate of Interest is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".  5. The Rate of Interest payable by the Issuer in respect of the relevant Interest Period will be the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and Inverse Range Accrual Rate, subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t).  Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) [•] [to (and including) [•]/[the Maturity Date]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].  The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier1, Multiplier2, Underlying Margin1, Underlying Margin2, Range Accrual Reference Rate1, Range Accrual		
		Reference Rate2, Range Accrual Floor, Range Accrual Cap, Cap and Floor for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:		
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	
		Multiplier1(t)	Multiplier2(t)	
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		Underlying Margin1(t)	Underlying Margin2(t)	
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t)	Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t)	

Element	Title				
		(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Range Accrual Floor(t)	Range Accrual Cap(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Cap(t)	Floor(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		applicable:]	<u> </u>	rest Notes the following	
		Range Accrual Interest	Notes").	e Accrual Interest terms	
		"Applicable" in the appl	icable Final Terms)	eed Interest Period" is sp	
		Interest Period specified	in the table below (each a	ominal amount from [●] a "Fixed Rate Interest P (Fixed)(t). Interest will	eriod") at
		Payment Date specified	in the table below (each	rear at this rate on eac a "Fixed Rate Interest tent for non-business days	Payment
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	rest Payment Dates and the lare specified in the table	
		Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)	
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
				ixed Interest Period" is sp and (ii) any Variable Ra	-
		outstanding nominal amo	ount at a variable rate calc	h] [Each] Note bears inteculated as follows: vation Dates in the Rang	

Element	Title			
		Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) is greater than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Floor(t) [and]/[or] less than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Cap(t) ("n"), is divided by (ii) the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period ("N"), (the resulting fraction being the "Range Accrual Fraction").		
		The Range Accrual Observation Period in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) is the period [from (and including) two business days before the previous Interest Payment Date to (and including) three business days before such Interest Payment Date(t)][specify other period].		
		The Range Accrual Observation Dates are [●].  2. Secondly, (i) the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier1(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin1(t), is multiplied by (ii) the Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting Rate of Interest is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".		
		3. Thirdly, (i) the different		d from N, is divided by (ii) N (the
		resulting fraction being the "Inverse Range Accrual Fraction").  4. Fourthly, (i) the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier2(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin2(t), is multiplied by (ii) the Inverse Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting Rate of Interest is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".		
		5. The Rate of Interest payable by the Issuer in respect of the relevant Interest Period will be the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and Inverse Range Accrual Rate, subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t).		
		Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) [•] [to (and including) [•]/[the Maturity Date]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].		
		The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier1, Multiplier2, Underlying Margin1, Underlying Margin2, Range Accrual Reference Rate, Range Accrual Floor Range Accrual Cap, Cap and Floor for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:		
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	
		Multiplier1(t)	Multiplier2(t)	
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		Underlying Margin1(t)	Underlying Margin2(t)	

Element	Title			
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		Range Accrual Reference Rate(t)	Range Accrual Floor(t)	Range Accrual Cap(t)

Range Accrual Reference Rate(t)	Range Accrual Floor(t)	Range Accrual Cap(t)
(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

Cap(t)	Floor(t)
(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

[If the Notes are KO Range Accrual Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:] The Notes are Notes to which the KO Range Accrual Interest terms apply ("KO Range Accrual Interest Notes").

(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [•] for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date") [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Fixed Rate Interest Periods, Fixed Rate Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

(In respect of (i) any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms, and (ii) any Variable Rate Interest Period)

[In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each] [Each] Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate calculated as follows:

(i) if n is equal to N, the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier1(t) and (B) the

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		Underlying Rate(t) and (2	2) the Underlying Margin	1(t); and	
		(ii) if n is less than N, the Underlying Rate(t) and (2)		of (A) the Multiplier2(t) and (B) th 2(t),	
		subject, in each case, to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum			
		rate of interest equal to Floor(t).			
		"n" represents the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) is [not] greater than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Floor(t) [and]/[or] [not] less than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Cap(t).			
		"N" represents the total Accrual Observation Per		al Observation Dates in the Rang	
		The Range Accrual Observation Period in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) the period [from (and including) two business days before the previous Interest Payment Date to (and including) three business days before such Interest Payment Date(t)][specify other period].			
		The Range Accrual Obse			
		Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this ra on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) [•] [to (and including) [•]/[th Maturity Date]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].			
		The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier1, Multiplier2, Underlying Margin1, Underlying Margin2, Range Accrual Reference Rate, Range Accrual Floor Range Accrual Cap, Cap and Floor for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:			
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)		
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)		
		Multiplier1(t)	Multiplier2(t)	]	
		(Insert percentage in	(Insert percentage in		
		respect of each Interest Period(t))	respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Underlying Margin1(t)	Underlying Margin2(t)		
		Underlying Margin1(t)  (Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	Underlying Margin2(t)  (Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		

Element	Title			
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

Cap(t)	Floor(t)
(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

[If the Notes are Dual Range Accrual Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:]

The Notes are Notes to which the Dual Range Accrual Interest terms apply ("Dual Range Accrual Interest Notes").

(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [•] for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date") [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Fixed Rate Interest Periods, Fixed Rate Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Rate Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

(In respect of (i) any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms, and (ii) any Variable Rate Interest Period)

[In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each] [Each] Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate calculated as follows:

1. First, (i) the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which (1) the Range Accrual Reference [Rate][Spread]1(t) is [not] greater than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Floor1(t) [and]/[or] [not] less than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Cap1(t) and (2) the Range Accrual Reference [Rate][Spread]2(t) is [not] greater than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Floor2(t) [and]/[or] [not] less than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Cap2(t) ("n"), is divided by (ii) the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual

Element	Title			
		Observation Period ("N"), (the resulting fraction being the "Range Accrual Fraction").  ["Range Accrual Reference Spread1" represents the difference when the Range		
		Accrual Reference RateB(t) is subtracted from the Range Accrual Reference RateA(t).]		
		["Range Accrual Reference Spread2" represents the difference when the Range Accrual Reference RateD(t) is subtracted from the Range Accrual Reference RateC(t).]		
		The Range Accrual Observation Period in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) is the period [from (and including) two business days before the previous Interest Payment Date to (and including) three business days before such Interest Payment Date(t)][specify other period].		
		The Range Accrual Observation Dates are [●].		
		2. Secondly, (i) the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier1(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin1(t), is multiplied by (ii) the Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting Rate of Interest is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".		
		3. Thirdly, (i) the difference when n is subtracted from N, is divided by (ii) N (the resulting fraction being the "Inverse Range Accrual Fraction").		
		4. Fourthly, (i) the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier2(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin2(t), is multiplied by (ii) the Inverse Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting Rate of Interest is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".		
		5. The Rate of Interest payable by the Issuer in respect of the relevant Interest Period will be the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and Inverse Range Accrual Rate, subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t).		
		Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) [•] [to (and including) [•]/[the Maturity Date]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].		
		The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier1, Multiplier2, Underlying Margin1, Underlying Margin2, Range Accrual Floor1, Range Accrual Cap1, Range Accrual Floor2, Range Accrual Cap2, Range Accrual Reference Rate1, Range Accrual Reference Rate2, Range Accrual Reference RateA, Range Accrual Reference RateB, Range Accrual Reference RateC, Range Accrual Reference RateD, Cap and Floor for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:		
		Interest Period(t) Interest Payment		
		Date(t)		
		(Insert Period) (Insert Date)		
		Multiplier1(t) Multiplier2(t)		
		(Insert percentage in (Insert percentage in		

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		respect of each Inte	erest	respect of ea			
		Underlying Margi	n1(t)	Underlying 1	Margin2(t)		
		(Insert percentage respect of each Inte Period(t))		(Insert perc respect of ea Period	ch Interest		
		Range Accrual Floor1(t)	Rai	nge Accrual Cap1(t)	Range Ao Floor2		Range Accrual Cap2(t)
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	in re	ert percentage espect of each rest Period(t))	(Insert perc in respect of Interest Pe	of each	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))
		Range Accrua Reference Rate1 (Insert rate in respe	ect of	Range A Reference (Insert rate in each Interest	Rate2(t)  n respect of		
		Range Accrual Reference RateA(t)	Rai	nge Accrual Reference RateB(t)	Range Ao Referen	nce	Range Accrual Reference RateD(t)
		(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(In	asert rate in pect of each rest Period(t))	(Insert re respect of Interest Pe	ite in each	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))
		Cap(t)		Floor	r(t)		
		(Insert percentage respect of each Inte Period(t))		(Insert perc respect of ea Period	ch Interest		
		[If the Notes are Sn The Notes are Note Notes"). (In respect of any	es to w	which the Snow	wball Intere	st terms	apply ("Snowball

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		"Applicable" in the appl	icable Final Terms)			
		Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from the Interest Commencement Date for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].  The Fixed Rate Interest Periods, Fixed Rate Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Rate Interest Period are specified in the table below:				
		Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)		
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Interest Period is the first Each Note bears interest Interest Commencement  [●] [subject to adjustment per annum (the "Rate of (In respect of (i) the sect such Interest Period, "For applicable Final Terms, Rate Period has ended as In respect of each Into outstanding nominal amount (A) the Multiplier1(t) and Period (and related Interest equal to Cap(t) and be paid [annually/semi-Interest Payment Date from Date]][, subject to adjust	on its outstanding nomin Date to (but excluding) to it for non-business days]  Interest(Fixed)(t)").  Interest(Fix	al amount from (and including) he Interest Payment Date falling at a fixed rate equal to [•] per centre of the precipitation of the Interest Period where in respect pecified as "Not Applicable" in Period" is applicable but the Fixer a Variable Rate Interest Period) each Note bears interest on ual to the sum of (i) the product it in respect of the previous Interection (ii) Fix(t) minus the product of (iii) Fix(t) minus the product of (iv), subject to a maximum rate the terest equal to Floor(t). Interest with a rate on each (and including) [•]/[the Mature of the previous of the previous in the product of (iv), subject to a maximum rate the previous in the product of (iv), subject to a maximum rate the previous in arrear at this rate on each (and including) [•]/[the Mature of the previous in the product of (iv), subject to a maximum rate the previous in the product of (iv). Interest with the previous in the previous	the fon ent.  t of the xed  its t of rest (A)  of will ach	
		Floor for each Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment	table below:		
		(Insert Period)	Date(t) (Insert Date)			

Element	Title			
		Fix(t)	Multiplier1(t)	Multiplier2(t)
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

Cap(t)	Floor(t)
(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

[If the Notes are SnowRanger Interest Notes the following shall be applicable:]

The Notes are Notes to which the SnowRanger Interest terms apply ("SnowRanger Interest Notes").

(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [•] for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each, a "Fixed Rate Interest Period") at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date specified in the table below (each, a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date") [to (and including) [•]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].

The Fixed Rate Interest Periods, Fixed Rate Interest Payment Dates and the Rate of Interest(Fixed) for each Fixed Rate Interest Period are specified in the table below:

Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

(If the Final Terms do not specify that Fixed Rate Period is "Applicable", and the Interest Period is the first Interest Period:)

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date to (but excluding) the Interest Payment Date falling on [•] [subject to adjustment for non-business days] at a variable rate equal to the product of (i) the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier1(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin(t) and (ii) the quotient of n divided by N, subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t).

"n" represents the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) is greater than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Floor(t) [and]/[or] less than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Cap(t).

Element	Title	
		"N" represents the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period.
		The Range Accrual Observation Period in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) is the period [from (and including) two business days before the previous Interest
		Payment Date to (and including) three business days before such Interest Payment
		Date(t)][specify other period].
		The Range Accrual Observation Dates are [●].
		Interest will be paid in arrear at this rate on [•] [, subject to adjustment for non-business days].
		(In respect of (i) the second and any subsequent Interest Period where in respect of such Interest Period, "Fixed Interest Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms, or (ii) "Fixed Interest Period" is applicable but the Fixed Rate Period has ended and such Interest Period is a Variable Rate Interest Period)
		In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [•] for each Interest Period at a variable rate equal the product of (i) the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier2(t) and (B) the rate of interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date and (2) the product of (A) the Multiplier1(t) and (B) the Underlying Margin(t) and (ii) the quotient of n divided by N, subject to a maximum rate of interest equal to Cap(t) and a minimum rate of interest equal to Floor(t).
		"n" represents the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) is greater than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Floor(t) [and]/[or] less than [or equal to] the Range Accrual Cap(t).
		"N" represents the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period.
		The Range Accrual Observation Period in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) is the period [from (and including) two business days before the previous Interest Payment Date to (and including) three business days before such Interest Payment Date(t)][specify other period].
		The Range Accrual Observation Dates are [●].
		Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) [●] [to (and including) [●]/[the Maturity Date]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].
		The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier1, Multiplier2, Underlying
		Margin, Range Accrual Reference Rate, Range Accrual Floor, Range Accrual Cap, Cap and Floor for each Interest Period are specified in the table below:
		Interest Period(t)  Interest Payment  Date(t)
		(Insert Period) (Insert Date)
		Muliplier1(t) Muliplier2(t)
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Element	Title				
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Underlying Margin(t)	Range Accrual Reference Rate(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Range Accrual Floor(t)	Range Accrual Cap(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Cap(t)	Floor(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		The Notes are Notes ("Barrier(Rates) Interes (In respect of any Interes "Applicable" in the appl Each Note bears interes Interest Period specified a fixed rate equal to [annually/semi-annually/Payment Date specified Date") [to (and including The Fixed Rate Interest	st to which the Barrest Notes").  Ist Period for which "Fix licable Final Terms)  st on its outstanding not in the table below (each at the Rate of Interest(quarterly/monthly] in art in the table below (each g) [•]][, subject to adjusting Periods, Fixed Rate Interest)	following shall be applicable: rier(Rates) Interest terms  red Interest Period" is specific  cominal amount from [•] for a "Fixed Rate Interest Period" (Fixed)(t). Interest will be rear at this rate on each In a "Fixed Rate Interest Payment for non-business days].  rest Payment Dates and the Rate are specified in the table below Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)	apply  ied as  each d'') at paid nterest  wment  ate of
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	

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		1 1 1 1	ů	ixed Interest Period" is specified as and (ii) any Variable Rate Interes			
			[In respect of each Interest Period thereafter, each] [Each] Note bears interest on it outstanding nominal amount at a variable rate calculated as follows:				
		(i) if the Underlying Rate of (1) the product of (A)	(i) if the Underlying Rate(t) is greater than [or equal to] the Upper Barrier(t), the sur of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier(Upper Barrier)(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin1(t);				
		(2) less than [or equal to	(ii) if the Underlying Rate(t) is (1) greater than [or equal to] the Lower Barrier(t) a (2) less than [or equal to] the Upper Barrier(t), the sum of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier(Barrier)(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Rate(t) and (3) the Underlying Rate(t) and (4) the Underlying Rate(t) and (5) the Underlying Rate(t) and (6) the Underlying Rate(t) and (7) the Underlying Rate(t) and (8) the Underlying Rate(t) and (9) the Underl				
		of (1) the product of (A	(iii) if the Underlying Rate(t) is less than [or equal to] the Lower Barrier(t), the su of (1) the product of (A) the Multiplier(Lower Barrier)(t) and (B) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin3(t).				
		Interest will be paid [and on each Interest Paymen	Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this r on each Interest Payment Date from (and including) [•] [to (and including) [•]/[Maturity Date]][, subject to adjustment for non-business days].				
		Multiplier(Upper Barrie Margin1, Underlying Margin1), underlying Margin1	The Interest Periods, Interest Payment Dates, Multiplier(Barrier)(t), Upper Barrier Multiplier(Upper Barrier), Lower Barrier, Multiplier(Lower Barrier), Underly Margin1, Underlying Margin2 and Underlying Margin3 for each Interest Period specified in the table below:				
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)				
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)				
		Multiplier(Barrier)(t)	]	•			
		(Insert percentage respect of each Interest Period(t))					
		Upper Barrier(t)	Multiplier(Upper Barrier)(t)				
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))				

(Insert percentage in

(Insert percentage in

Element	Title				
		respect of each Interest Period(t))	respect of each Interest Period(t))		
		Underlying Mayoin1(4)	Undoubing Margin 7(4)	Underlying Margin3(t)	
		Underlying Margin1(t)	Underlying Margin2(t)		
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
	Inflation Linked	[Applicable]/[Not Applic	ablal		
	Notes Provisions:	[If Not Applicable, pleas Interest Notes and Refer follow below]	se delete the Reference I	, , ,	
		[If the Notes are Refere following shall be applications of the control of the co		ormance Linked Interes	
		The Notes are Notes to Interest terms apply ("I Notes").		*	
		(In respect of any Interest Period for which "Fixed Interest Period" is specif "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms)			
		Each Note bears intere Interest Period specified a fixed rate equal to [annually/semi-annually/ Payment Date specified Date")[to (and including	in the table below (each, the Rate of Interest quarterly/monthly] in an in the table below (each ) [•]][, subject to adjustn	a "Fixed Rate Interest" (Fixed)(t). Interest will rrear at this rate on ea , a "Fixed Rate Interest ment for non-business day	
		The Fixed Rate Interest Interest(Fixed) for each I		•	
		Fixed Rate Interest Period(t)	Fixed Rate Interest Payment Date(t)	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)	
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		(In respect of (i) any Inte "Not Applicable" in the Period)	•		
		[In respect of each Interoutstanding nominal am "Index") and equal to	nount a variable rate de the sum of (i) the su	termined by reference	

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Etement	Title	Interest Period, the In Underlying Margin1(t) rate of interest equal to interest equal to Floor(t [The Initial Reference M The Relevant Level me Month(t).  Interest will be paid [ar on each Interest Payme Maturity Date]][, subject The Interest Periods, Underlying Margin1, U	and (ii) the Underlying Cap(t) plus the Underlying Month is [•].] ans the level of the Indenually/semi-annually/semit Date from (and inclust to adjustment for non Interest Payment Date	ag Margin2(t), subject to ying Margin2(t) and a margin2(t).  ex in respect of the rele- quarterly/monthly] in arrouding) [•] [to (and including)] [•] [to (and including)].	to a maximum rate of the vant Reference rear at this ratuding) [•]/[the erence Month
		specified in the table be		y und 1 1001 101 cuch inte	
		Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	Participation(t)	•
		(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage	2)
		Reference Month(t)	Underlying Margin1(t)		
		(Insert month in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage i respect of each Interest Period(t))	n	
		Underlying Margin2(t)	Cap(t)	Floor(t)	
		(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))	
		[If the Notes are Refere be applicable:] The Notes are Notes to apply ("Reference Item (In respect of any Inter "Applicable" in the app	which the Reference (Inflation) Indexed In est Period for which	Item(Inflation) Indexed	Interest term

Each Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from [●] for each Interest Period specified in the table below (each, a "**Fixed Rate Interest Period**")at a fixed rate equal to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t). Interest will be paid [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear at this rate on each Interest

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	Payment Date specified	in the table below (each,	, a "Fixed Rate Interes
	Date") [to (and including		·
	The Fixed Rate Interes		•
	Interest(Fixed) for each F	Fixed Rate Interest Period	l are specified in the table
	Fixed Rate Interest	Fixed Rate Interest	Rate of
	Period(t)	Payment Date(t)	Interest(Fixed)(t)
	(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))
	(In respect of (i) any Inte "Not Applicable" in the Period)	rest Period for which "Fi applicable Final Terms,	
	"Index") and equal to the quotient of the Relevant level of the Index in respect to the Index in respect to the Initial Reference Month (t).  Interest will be paid [and the Interest will be paid [and the Interest Paymen Maturity Date]][, subject	Level in respect of the pect of the Initial Refere cap(t) and a minimum rate onth is [•].  In the level of the Index in th	Reference Month(t) dividence Month, subject to a set of interest equal to Floor in respect of the relevant exterly/monthly] in arrearing) [•] [to (and including the content of the relevant o
	The Interest Periods, In Month, Cap and Floor for		
	Interest Period(t)	Interest Payment Date(t)	
	(Insert Period)	(Insert Date)	
	Rate of	Reference Month(t)	Cap(t)
	Interest(Fixed)(t)		
	(Insert rate in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert month in respect of each Interest Period(t))	(Insert percentage in respect of each Interest Period(t))

(Insert percentage in

Element	Title		
Element	Redemption: The maturity date, amortisation and repayment procedures	cannot be redeemed prior to Default (as defined herein redeemable at the option of giving not less than 5 nor meriod (if any) as is indicated relevant Issuer, as the case maturity and at a price or Terms.  If the Notes are "Instalment "Instalment Date" specified as any time, by notice to the foliated have been reduced in the terms and such notice, 90 per cent. On hitherto issued have been reduced the level of an inflation the relevant issue specific summary.  The Notes [cannot be redeed Event of Default (as defined the option of the Issuer [and [5] nor more than [30] day Issuer, as the case may be,]  [•]].  [The Notes are "Instalment event, will be redeemed by the summary of the Issuer and Issuer, as the case may be,]	applicable in the Final Terms, the relevant Issuer may at nolders of the Notes, redeem all but not some only of the time being outstanding at their Early Redemption Amount I conditions for the particular issue) if, prior to the date of or more in principal amount of the Notes of such Series
		[•]	[•]
		but not some only of the Redemption Amount (as de	at any time, by notice to holders of the Notes, redeem all e Notes for the time being outstanding at their Early efined in the Terms and Conditions of the Notes) if, prior 90 per cent. or more in principal amount of the Notes

Element	Title			
		hitherto issued have been redeemed.]		
	Representative of	Representative of the debt security holders		
	the debt security	Not Applicable.		
C.10	holders			
C.10	If the security has a derivative component in the interest payment, an explanation of how the value of the investment is affected by the value of the underlying instrument	Programme summary  The interest payments, return on, and value of, the Notes may be linked to performance of an inflation index. In addition, interest payments may be calcula by reference to market interest rates.  Please see C.9 above and C.18 below for further details.  Issue specific summary  (If the Notes are not Inflation Linked Notes) [Not Applicable. The Notes do not contain any derivative components.]  (If the Notes are Inflation Linked Notes) [The [interest payments, ]return on, and value of, the Notes is linked to the level of [the Index].  Please see C.9 above and C.18 below for further details.]		
C.11	Application for	Programme summary		
	admission to trading and distribution in a regulated market	Notes may be: (i) admitted to trading on Euronext in Amsterdam, a regulated market of Euronext Amsterdam N.V.; (ii) admitted to the official list of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange; (iii) admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange; (iv) (with respect to the Global Issuer only) admitted to trading on the regulated market of Euronext Paris S.A.; (v) (with respect to the Global Issuer only) admitted to trading on a regulated market of Borsa Italiana S.p.A.; (vi) admitted to trading on another regulated market as defined under Directive 2004/39/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on markets in financial instruments (the "Markets in Financial Instruments Directive"); (vii) admitted to trading on an unregulated market as defined under the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive; or (viii) unlisted and not admitted to trading on any market.  **Issue specific summary**  [Application has been made]/[Application is expected to be made] by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Notes to be admitted to trading on [•] with effect from [•]]/[Not Applicable. The Notes are not intended to be admitted to trading.]		
C.15	Description of how the value of your investment is affected by the value of the Underlying Assets	Programme summary Please see C.9 above and C.18 below for further details.  Issue specific summary (If the Notes are not Inflation Linked Notes) [Not Applicable.] (If the Notes are Inflation Linked Notes) [Please see C.9 above and C.18 below for further details.]		
C.16	The expiration or maturity date of the securities	Programme summary Subject to early redemption, the Notes are scheduled to redeem on the Maturity Date specified in the Final Terms. This day is subject to postponement in circumstances where any day on which a valuation is scheduled to take place is a disrupted day.  Issue specific summary		

Element	Title		
		(If the Notes are not Inflation Linked Notes) [Not Applicable.]  (If the Notes are Inflation Linked Notes) [Subject to early redemption, [the redemption date of the Notes is [•].]	
C.17	A description of the settlement procedures of the securities	Programme summary  Settlement procedures will vary depending on the clearing system for the Notes and local practices in the jurisdiction of the investor.  The Notes will be delivered on the issue date either against payment of the issue price or free of payment of the issue price as specified in the Final Terms.  The Notes may be cleared and settled through, amongst others, Euroclear Bank SA/NV or Clearstream Banking S.A. or Clearstream Banking AG, Eschborn.  Issue specific summary  (If the Notes are not Inflation Linked Notes) [Not Applicable.]  (If the Notes are Inflation Linked Notes) [The Notes will be cash settled on [•]. The Notes will be delivered on [•] [against payment of the issue price of the Notes/free of payment of the issue price of the Notes]. Settlement procedures will vary depending on the clearing system for the Securities and local practices in the jurisdiction of the investor.	
		[The Notes are cleared through [Euroclear/Clearstream, Luxembourg/Clearstream, Frankfurt/DTC/Euroclear Netherlands/Euroclear Finland/Euroclear Sweden/VPS/Monte Titoli/Austraclear/specify other].]	
C.18	A description of how the procedure on return on derivative securities takes place	Programme summary The amount payable as interest or on redemption of the Notes may or may not be linked to an underlying. The value of the underlying to which the Notes are linked will affect the interest paid, whether the Notes redeem early and the amount paid on the redemption date. Notes issued under the Base Prospectus may also be Inflation Linked Redemption Notes. Inflation Linked Redemption Notes may take the form of either of Inflation Indexed Redemption Notes or Inflation Indexed with Floor Redemption Notes.  Inflation Indexed Redemption Notes The Final Redemption Amount for the Notes will be their denomination plus the percentage change (which may be positive or negative) in the level of the Inflation Index between the Reference Month specified in the Final Terms as the Initial Reference Month.  Inflation Indexed with Floor Redemption Notes The Final Redemption Amount for the Notes will be based on the denomination of the Notes plus the sum of the percentage change (which may be positive or negative) in the level of the Inflation Index between the Reference Month specified in the Final Terms as the Initial Reference Month and the Reference Month specified in the Final Terms as the Initial Reference Month and the Reference Month specified in the Final Terms as the Final Reference Month and the applicable margins specified in the Final Terms.  Issue specific summary	
		Terms.	

Element	Title				
		(If the Notes are Inflation	n Linked Notes)		
		[The value of the underlying to which the Notes are linked will affect [the interest paid][,/and] [the amount paid on the redemption date].			
		[If the type of redempti applicable:]	ion is Inflation Indexed	Redemption the following shall be	
		The Notes are Inflate Redemption Notes").	tion Indexed Redemp	tion Notes ("Inflation Indexed	
		reference to [•] (the "	Index") and will be ca	each Note will be determined by alculated as the product of: (i) the the sum of (1) 100 per cent., and (2)	
		which the Calculation	Amount must be n	sued in unitised form][the factor by nultiplied to reach the Specified rounding][if the Notes are issued in	
		(1) 1 is subtracted from	(2) the quotient of the divided by the level of	e product of (i) the difference when level of the Index in respect of the f the Index in respect of the Initial	
			· -	ce Month are specified in the table	
		Final Reference Month	Initial Reference Month		
		(Insert month)	(Insert month)		
		[If the type of redemption shall be applicable:]	on is Inflation Indexed w	vith Floor Redemption the following	
		The Notes are Inflation with Floor Redemption		emption Notes ("Inflation Indexed	
		The Final Redemption Amount applicable to each Note will be determined by reference to [•] (the "Index") and calculated as the sum of (i) product of: (1) the Calculation Amount; (2) the CA Factor; and (3) the sum of (A) 100 per cent., and (B) the lesser of (a) the Inflation Cap and (b) the greater of (x) the Inflation Floor and (y) the sum of (aa) the Index Performance and (bb) the Redemption Margin1, and (ii) the Redemption Margin2.			
		The CA Factor will be [if the Notes are not issued in unitised form] [the factor by which the Calculation Amount must be multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination of such Note without any further rounding] [if the Notes are issued in unitised form] [one].			
		(1) 1 is subtracted from	(2) the quotient of the divided by the level of	e product of (i) the difference when level of the Index in respect of the f the Index in respect of the Initial	

Element	Title						
		The Inflation Cap, Inflation Floor, Redemption Margin1, Redemption Margin2, Final Reference Month and Initial Reference Month are specified in the table below:					
		Final Reference Month	Initial Reference Month				
		(Insert month)	(Insert month)				
					1		
		Inflation Cap	Inflation Floor	Initial Reference Month			
		(Insert percentage)	(Insert percentage)	(Insert Month)			
		Redemption Margin1	Redemption Margin2				
		(Insert percentage)	(Insert percentage)				
C.19	Final reference price of the underlying	Programme summary  The amount (if any) payable on redemption of the Notes may or may not be linked to the level of an inflation index as specified in the Final Terms. The final level of the inflation index will be determined by the Calculation Agent as the inflation index published by the relevant index sponsor with respect to a specified month.  Issue specific summary  (If the Notes are not Inflation Linked Notes) [Not Applicable. The amount (if any) payable on redemption of the Notes is not linked to an underlying.]  (If the Notes are Inflation Linked Notes) [The final level of [the Index] will be the level as published by [insert name of index sponsor] in respect of [insert final reference month].]					
C.20	A description of the type of the underlying and where information on the underlying can be found	Programme summary  The return on, and value of, the Notes may be linked to the level of a specified inflation index.  Issue specific summary  (If the Notes are not Inflation Linked Notes) [Not Applicable.]  (If the Notes are Inflation Linked Notes) [The redemption amount in relation to the Notes is linked to the level of an inflation index. Information in relation to the inflation index can be found at [•].]					
C.21	Indication of the market where the Notes will be traded and for which prospectus	Programme summary Please see C.11 above. Issue specific summary (If the Notes are not Inflation Linked Notes) [Not Applicable.]					

Element	Title	
	has been prepared	(If the Notes are Inflation Linked Notes) [Please see C.11 above.]

# Section D - Risks

Element	Title	
D.2	Key information on key risks that are specific to the Issuer or its industry	Because ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) is part of a financial services company conducting business on a global basis, the revenues and earnings of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) are affected by the volatility and strength of the economic, business, liquidity, funding and capital markets environments specific to the geographic regions in which it conducts business. The on-going turbulence and volatility of such factors have adversely affected, and may continue to adversely affect, the profitability, solvency and liquidity of the business of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch). ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) has identified a number of specific factors which could adversely affect its business and ability to make payments due under the Notes
		These factors include:
		adverse capital and credit market conditions
		the default of a major market participant
		changes in financial services laws and/or regulations
		<ul> <li>continued risk of resurgence of turbulence and on-going volatility in the financial markets and the economy generally</li> </ul>
		inability to increase or maintain market share
		inability of counterparties to meet their financial obligations
		market conditions and increased risk of loan impairments
		interest rate volatility and other interest rate changes
		failures of banks falling under the scope of state compensation schemes
		negative effects of inflation and deflation
		inability to manage risks successfully through derivatives
		inability to retain key personnel
		• inability to protect intellectual property and possibility of being subject to infringement claims
		deficiencies in assumptions used to model client behaviour for market risk calculations
		liabilities incurred in respect of defined benefit retirement plans
		inadequacy of risk management policies and guidelines
		regulatory risks
		claims from customers who feel misled or treated unfairly

Element	Title	
		ratings downgrades or potential downgrades
		<ul> <li>operational risks such as systems disruptions or failures, breaches of security, cyber attacks, human error, changes in operational practices or inadequate controls</li> </ul>
		• adverse publicity, claims and allegations, litigation and regulatory investigations and sanctions
D.3	Key information on the key risks that are specific to the Notes:	Programme summary  The following key risks may arise in relation to the Notes: (a) the value of the Notes and any interest or principal repayment in relation to them may be affected by, but may not necessarily correlate to, movements and fluctuations in market interest rates and the performance of any inflation index; (b) the Global Issuer (including the Australian Issuer) may enter into activities that present conflicts of interest and adversely affect the value of the Notes; and (c) the Global Issuer (including the Australian Issuer) may have the option to early redeem the Notes, which may affect their value in the secondary market.  In addition, the following key risks may arise which may adversely affect the interest amount and/or redemption amount payable or deliverable in relation to the Notes (as applicable): (a) specified interest rate or periodic increase in the interest rate may not keep pace with prevailing market rates; (b) application of a multiplier or participation factor may magnify the impact of any element having a negative effect, or reduce the impact of any element having a positive effect, on the applicable interest rate and/or interest amount; (c) interest amounts and redemption amounts may be capped; (d) the Notes may not be principal protected; (e) any amortised yield may be lower than the market rate; (f) the Issuer may convert the applicable interest rate from floating to fixed or vice versa and (g) any element that negatively impacts an interest rate applicable on one date may be reflected in subsequent interest rates determined by reference to such interest rate.  Furthermore, the terms of the Notes may provide that: (a) interest may only be payable in respect of the number of days in an interest period on which a specified precondition or preconditions have been met and (b) the interest amount will be determined by reference to specified preconditions.  Issue specific precondition or preconditions have been met and (b) the interest amount will be determined by reference to specified
		In addition, the following key risks may arise which may adversely affect the interest amount and/or redemption amount payable or deliverable in relation to the Notes: [[(a)] specified interest rate or periodic increase in the interest rate

Element	Title	
		may not keep pace with prevailing market rates][;][[(b)] application of a [multiplier]/[participation] factor will magnify the impact of any element having a negative effect, or reduce the impact of any element having a positive effect, on the [interest rate] [and] [redemption amount]][;][[(c)] [interest amounts[ [and] [redemption amounts] will be capped][;][[(d)] the Notes are not principal protected][;][[(e)] any amortised yield will be lower than the market rate] [;][[(f)] the Issuer may convert the applicable interest rate from floating to fixed or vice versa][;][and][[(g)] any element that negatively impacts an interest rate applicable on one date will be reflected in subsequent interest rates determined by reference to such interest rate.]  Furthermore, the terms of the Notes provide that: [(a) interest will only be payable in respect of the number of days in an interest period on which a specified precondition or preconditions have been met][and][[(b)] the interest amount will be determined by reference to specified preconditions].
D.6	Risk warning that	Programme summary
	investors may lose value of entire	The capital invested in any Notes that are Inflation Indexed Redemption Notes or Inflation Indexed with Floor Redemption Notes may be at risk.
	investment or part	Consequently, the amount a prospective investor may receive on
	of it	redemption of any such Notes may be less than the amount invested by it
		and may be zero.
		In addition, investors may lose up to the entire value of their investment if: (a) the investor sells their Notes prior to the scheduled redemption in the secondary market at an amount that is less than the initial purchase price; (b) ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) is subject to insolvency or bankruptcy proceedings or some other event which negatively affects the ability of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) to repay amounts due under the Notes; (c) the Notes are redeemed early for reasons beyond the control of ING Bank N.V. (including ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch) (such as a change of applicable law or market event in relation to the underlying asset(s)), and the amount paid or delivered is less than the initial purchase price; and/or (d) the Notes are subject to certain adjustments or alternative valuations following certain disruptive market events that result in the amount to be paid or delivered being reduced to an amount or value that is less than the initial purchase price.  Issue specific summary  (If the Notes are not Inflation Linked Notes) [Not Applicable.]
		(If the Notes are Inflation Linked Notes) [The capital invested in the Notes is
		at risk. Consequently, the amount a prospective investor may receive on
		redemption of its Notes may be less than the amount invested by it and may be zero.]
		Investors may lose up to the entire value of their investment if (a) the investor sells their Notes prior to the scheduled redemption in the secondary market at an amount that is less than the initial purchase price; (b) the Issuer is subject to insolvency or bankruptcy proceedings or some other event which negatively affects the Issuer's ability to repay amounts due under the Notes; (c) the Notes

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		are redeemed early for reasons beyond the control of the Issuer (such as a change of applicable law or market event in relation to the underlying asset(s)) and the amount paid or delivered is less than the initial purchase price; [and/or] (d) the Notes are subject to certain adjustments or alternative valuations following certain disruptive market events that result in the amount to be paid or delivered being reduced to an amount or value that is less than the initial purchase price[; and/or (e) the payout conditions do not provide for full repayment of the initial purchase price upon redemption or specified early redemption and the underlying asset(s) perform(s) in such a manner that the amount due under the Notes is less than the initial purchase price].

# Section E - Offer

Element	Title		
E.2b	Reasons for the offer and the use of proceeds when different from making profit and/or hedging risk	Programme summary  Unless specified otherwise in the Final Terms, the net proceeds from each issue of Notes will be applied by the Issuer for its general corporate purposes.  Issue specific summary  [The net proceeds from each issue of the Notes will be applied by the Issuer for its general corporate purposes.] [•].]	
E.3	Terms and conditions of the offer	Programme summary  The terms and conditions of each offer of Notes will be determined by agreement between the Global Issuer (including the Australian Issuer) and the relevant Dealers at the time of issue and specified in the Final Terms. An investor intending to acquire or acquiring any Notes in a Public Offer from an Authorised Offeror other than the Global Issuer (including the Australian Issuer) will do so, and offers and sales of such Notes to an investor by such Authorised Offeror will be made in accordance with any terms and other arrangements in place between such Authorised Offeror and such investor, including as to price, allocations, expenses and settlement arrangements. The investor must look to the relevant Authorised Offeror for the provision of such information and the Authorised Offeror will be responsible for such information. The Global Issuer (including the Australian Issuer) has no responsibility or liability to an investor in respect of such information.  Investors may not be allocated all of the Notes for which they apply.  The offering may, at the discretion of the Issuer, be cancelled at any time prior to the issue date.  Issue specific summary  (i) Conditions to which the offer [Offers of the Notes are conditional is subject:  On their issue. As between the Authorised Offerors and their customers, offers of the Notes are further subject to conditions as may	

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				be agreed between them and/or as specified in the arrangements in place between them.] [•]
		(ii)	Description of the application process:	[A prospective Noteholder should contact the applicable Authorised Offeror in the applicable Public Offer Jurisdiction prior to the end of the Offer Period. A prospective Noteholder will subscribe for the Notes in accordance with the arrangements existing between such Authorised Offeror and its customers relating to the subscription of securities generally. Noteholders will not be required to enter into any contractual arrangements directly with the Issuer in connection with the subscription of the Notes.] [•]
		(iii)	Description of possibility to reduce subscriptions:	[Not Applicable. The terms of the Public Offer do not provide for any reduction of subscriptions.] [Investors may not be allocated all of the Notes for which they apply. The offering may, at the discretion of the Issuer, be cancelled at any time prior to the issue date.] [•]
		(iv)	Manner for refunding excess amount paid by applicants:	[Not Applicable. The terms of the Public Offer do not provide for any refunds of excess amounts paid by applicants.] [•]
		(v)	Minimum and/or maximum amount of application:	[There are no pre-identified allotment criteria. The Authorised Offerors will adopt allotment criteria in accordance with customary market practices and applicable laws and regulations.] [•]
		(vi)	Method and time limit for paying up the securities and for delivery of the Notes:	[Investors will be notified by the relevant Authorised Offeror of their allocations of Notes and the settlement arrangements in respect thereof. The Notes will be issued on the issue date against payment to the Issuer of the net subscription moneys.] [•]
		(vii)	Manner and date on which results of the offer are to be	[Investors will be notified by the Issuer or any applicable Authorised

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		made public:	Offeror of their allocations of Notes and the settlement procedures in respect thereof.] [•]
		(viii) Procedure for exercise of any right of pre-emption, the negotiability of subscription rights and the treatment of subscription rights not exercised:	[Not Applicable. The terms of the Public Offer do not provide for a procedure for the exercise of any right of pre-emption or negotiability of subscription rights.] [●]
		(ix) Categories of potential investors to which the Notes are offered and whether tranche(s) have been reserved for certain countries.	[Offers may be made by the Authorised Offerors in each of the Public Offer Jurisdictions to any person during the Offer Period. In other European Economic Area countries and in all jurisdictions (including the Public Offer Jurisdictions) outside of the Offer Period, offers will only be made by the Issuer [and any Managers] pursuant to an exemption under the Prospectus Directive, as implemented in such countries. All offers of the Notes will be made in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.] [•]
		(x) Process for notification to applicants of the amount allotted and the indication whether dealing may begin before notification is made:	[A prospective Noteholder will receive 100 per cent. of the amount of the Notes allocated to it during the Offer Period. Prospective Noteholders will be notified by the applicable Authorised Offeror in accordance with the arrangements in place between such Authorised Offeror and the prospective Noteholders. No dealings in the Notes on a regulated market for the purposes of the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive may take place prior to the issue date.] [A prospective Noteholder may not be allocated all of the Notes for which they apply during the Offer Period. Prospective Noteholders will be notified by the applicable Authorised Offeror in accordance with the

Element	Title	
		arrangements in place between such Authorised Offeror and the prospective Noteholders. No dealings in the Notes on a regulated market for the purposes of the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive may take place prior to the issue date.] [•]
		(xi) Amount of any expenses and taxes specifically charged to the subscriber or purchasers:  [Not Applicable. The terms of the Public Offer do not provide for any expenses and/or taxes to be charged to any subscriber and/or purchaser of the Notes.] [●]
E.4	Interest of natural and legal persons involved in the issue/offer	Programme summary  Save for any fees payable to any relevant Dealers, so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the issue of the Notes will have an interest material to the offer. The Dealers and their affiliates may also have engaged, and may in the future engage, in investment banking and/or commercial banking transactions with, and may perform other services for, the Issuer and its affiliates in the ordinary course of business.  Issue specific summary  [Save for any fees payable to the Dealers, so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the issue of the Notes has an interest material to the offer. The Dealers and their affiliates have engaged, and may in the future engage, in investment banking and/or commercial banking transactions with, and may perform other services for, the Issuer and its affiliates in the ordinary course of business.] [•]
E.7	Estimated expenses charged to the investor by the Issuer or the offeror	Programme summary  There are no expenses charged to the investor by the Issuer or any Authorised Offeror with respect to the Programme generally; however, such expenses may be charged in connection with a specific issue of Notes. If so, details will be included in the issue specific summary attached to the Final Terms.  Issue specific summary  [Not Applicable] [The following expenses are to be charged to the investor by [the Issuer/[•]] [•]]

#### RISK FACTORS

#### **General Risk Factors**

#### Introduction

This Base Prospectus identifies in a general way the information that a prospective investor should consider prior to making an investment in the Notes. However, a prospective investor should conduct its own thorough analysis (including its own accounting, legal and tax analysis) prior to deciding whether to invest in the Notes as any evaluation of the suitability for an investor of an investment in the Notes depends upon a prospective investor's particular financial and other circumstances, as well as on specific terms of the Notes. This Base Prospectus is not, and does not purport to be, investment advice or an investment recommendation to purchase the Notes. Each Issuer, including its branches and any group company, is acting solely in the capacity of an arm's length contractual counterparty and not as a purchaser's financial adviser or fiduciary in any transaction, unless such Issuer has agreed to do so in writing. If a prospective investor does not have experience in financial, business and investment matters sufficient to permit it to make such a determination, the investor should consult with its financial adviser prior to deciding to make an investment on the suitability of the Notes. Investors risk losing their entire investment or part of it.

Each prospective investor of Notes must determine, based on its own independent review and such professional advice as it deems appropriate under the circumstances, that its acquisition of the Notes (i) is fully consistent with its (or, if it is acquiring the Notes in a fiduciary capacity, the beneficiary's) financial needs, objectives and condition, (ii) complies and is fully consistent with any investment policies, guidelines and restrictions applicable to it (whether acquiring the Notes as principal or in a fiduciary capacity) and (iii) is a fit, proper and suitable investment for it (or, if it is acquiring the Notes in a fiduciary capacity, for the beneficiary). In particular, investment activities of certain investors are subject to investment laws and regulations, or review or regulation by certain authorities. Each prospective investor should therefore consult its legal advisers to determine whether and to what extent (i) the Notes are legal investments for it, (ii) the Notes can be used as underlying securities for various types of borrowing and (iii) other restrictions apply to its purchase or pledge of any Notes.

Financial institutions should consult their legal advisers or the appropriate regulators to determine the appropriate treatment of Notes under any applicable risk-based capital or similar rules.

Each prospective investor in Notes should refer to the section headed "Risk Factors" in the relevant Registration Document for a description of those factors which could affect the financial performance of the Issuers and thereby affect the Issuers' ability to fulfil their obligations in respect of Notes issued under the Programme.

## The Notes may not be a suitable investment for all investors

Each potential investor in the Notes must determine the suitability of that investment in light of its own circumstances. In particular, each potential investor should:

- (i) have sufficient knowledge and experience to make a meaningful evaluation of the Notes, the merits
  and risks of investing in the Notes and the information contained or incorporated by reference in this
  Base Prospectus or any applicable supplement or Final Terms;
- (ii) have access to, and knowledge of, appropriate analytical tools to evaluate, in the context of its particular financial situation, an investment in the Notes and the impact the Notes will have on its overall investment portfolio;

- (iii) have sufficient financial resources and liquidity to bear all of the risks of an investment in the Notes, including Notes with principal or interest payable in one or more currencies, or where the currency for principal or interest payments is different from the potential investor's currency;
- (iv) understand thoroughly the terms of the Notes and be familiar with the behaviour of any relevant indices and/or financial markets; and
- (v) be able to evaluate (either alone or with the help of a financial adviser) possible scenarios for economic, interest rate, inflation and other factors that may affect its investment and its ability to bear the applicable risks.

Notes can be relatively complex financial instruments. Sophisticated institutional investors generally do not purchase financial instruments of this nature as stand-alone investments. They purchase them as a way to reduce risk or enhance yield with an understood, measured, appropriate addition of risk to their overall portfolios. A potential investor should not invest in such Notes unless it has the expertise (either alone or with a financial adviser) to evaluate how the Notes will perform under changing conditions, the resulting effects on the value of the Notes and the impact this investment will have on the potential investor's overall investment portfolio.

## Limited liquidity of the Notes

Even if application is made to list Notes on a stock exchange, there can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Notes will develop, or, if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the holders of the Notes with liquidity or that it will continue for the life of the Notes. A decrease in the liquidity of an issue of Notes may cause, in turn, an increase in the volatility associated with the price of such issue of Notes. Any investor in the Notes must be prepared to hold such Notes for an indefinite period of time or until redemption of the Notes. If any person begins making a market for the Notes, it is under no obligation to continue to do so and may stop making a market at any time. Illiquidity may have a severely adverse effect on the market value of Notes.

## Counterparty risk exposure

The ability of the relevant Issuer or the Guarantor to make payments under the Notes is subject to general credit risks, including credit risks of borrowers. Third parties that owe the relevant Issuer or the Guarantor money, securities or other assets may fail to pay or perform under their obligations. These parties include borrowers under loans granted, trading counterparties, counterparties under swaps and credit and other derivative contracts, agents and other financial intermediaries. These parties may default on their obligations to the relevant Issuer or the Guarantor due to bankruptcy, lack of liquidity, downturns in the economy or real estate values, operational failure or other reasons.

## Credit ratings may not reflect all risks

The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer each have a senior debt rating from Standard & Poor's, Moody's and Fitch and the Americas Issuer has a senior debt rating from Moody's, details of which are contained in the relevant Registration Document.

Tranches of Notes issued under the Programme may be rated or unrated and one or more independent credit rating agencies may assign additional credit ratings to the Notes or the Issuers or the Guarantor. Where a Tranche of Notes is rated, such rating will not necessarily be the same as the ratings assigned to the relevant Issuer, the Programme or any Notes already issued.

The ratings may not reflect the potential impact of all risks related to structure, market, additional factors discussed above and other factors that may affect the value of the Notes and the ability of an Issuer or the Guarantor to make payments under the Notes (including, but not limited to, market conditions and

funding-related and operational risks inherent to the business of each Issuer and the Guarantor). A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period of time or that a rating will not be suspended, lowered or withdrawn by the relevant rating agency if, in its judgement, circumstances in the future so warrant.

In the event that a rating assigned to the Notes or an Issuer or the Guarantor is subsequently suspended, lowered or withdrawn for any reason, no person or entity is obliged to provide any additional support or credit enhancement with respect to the Notes, the relevant Issuer or the Guarantor may be adversely affected, the market value of the Notes is likely to be adversely affected and the ability of the relevant Issuer or the Guarantor to make payments under the Notes may be adversely affected.

In addition, the Global Issuer's and the Australian Issuer's bank assets are risk weighted. Downgrades of these assets could result in a higher risk weighting which may result in higher capital requirements and thus a need to deleverage. This may impact net earnings and the return on capital, and may have an adverse impact on the relevant Issuer's or the Guarantor's financial position and ability to make payments under the Notes.

## Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the value of Notes

The Calculation Agent for an issue of Notes is the agent of the relevant Issuer and not the agent of the holders of the Notes. The Calculation Agent is not acting as a fiduciary to any Noteholder. It is possible that the relevant Issuer or ING Bank N.V. (as Guarantor) will itself be the Calculation Agent for certain issues of Notes. The Calculation Agent will make such determinations and adjustments as it deems appropriate, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the specific issue of Notes. In making its determinations and adjustments, the Calculation Agent will be entitled to exercise substantial discretion and may be subject to conflicts of interest in exercising this discretion.

#### Over-issuance

As part of its issuing, market-making and/or trading arrangements, the relevant Issuer may issue more Notes than those which are to be subscribed or purchased by third party investors. The relevant Issuer (or any of its affiliates) may hold such Notes for the purpose of meeting any investor interest in the future. Prospective investors in the Notes should therefore not regard the issue size of any Series as indicative of the depth or liquidity of the market for such Series, or of the demand for such Series.

## The return on an investment in Notes will be affected by charges incurred by investors

An investor's total return on an investment in Notes will be affected by the level of fees charged to the investor, including fees charged to the investor as a result of the Notes being held in a clearing system. Such fees may include charges for opening accounts, transfers of securities, custody services and fees for payment of principal, interest or other sums due under the terms of the Notes. Investors should carefully investigate these fees before making their investment decision.

#### Tax risk

This Base Prospectus includes general summaries of certain Austrian, Belgian, Dutch, Finnish, French, German, Italian, Luxembourg, Maltese, Portuguese, Spanish, Swedish and United Kingdom tax considerations relating to an investment in the Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer, of the Australian tax considerations relating to an investment in the Notes issued by the Australian Issuer, and of certain U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to an investment in the Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer (see "Taxation"). This Base Prospectus also includes a general summary of the Dutch tax considerations relating to an investment in the Notes issued by the Americas Issuer (see "Taxation"). Such summaries may not apply to a particular holder of Notes or to a particular issue and do not cover all possible tax considerations. In addition, the tax treatment may change before the maturity, exercise or termination date of Notes. Any potential investor should consult its own independent tax adviser for more

information about the tax consequences of acquiring, owning and disposing of Notes in its particular circumstances.

## The proposed financial transactions tax ("FTT")

On 14 February 2013, the European Commission published a proposal (the "Commission's **Proposal**") for a Directive for a common FTT in Belgium, Germany, Estonia, Greece, Spain, France, Italy, Austria, Portugal, Slovenia and Slovakia (the "participating Member States"). However, Estonia has since stated that it will not participate.

The Commission's Proposal has very broad scope and could, if introduced, apply to certain dealings in Notes (including secondary market transactions) in certain circumstances. The issuance and subscription of Notes should, however, be exempt.

Under the Commission's Proposal, the FTT could apply in certain circumstances to persons both within and outside of the participating Member States. Generally, it would apply to certain dealings in Notes where at least one party is a financial institution, and at least one party is established in a participating Member State. A financial institution may be, or be deemed to be, "established" in a participating Member State in a broad range of circumstances, including (a) by transacting with a person established in a participating Member State or (b) where the financial instrument which is subject to the dealings is issued in a participating Member State.

However, the FTT proposal remains subject to negotiation between participating Member States. It may therefore be altered prior to any implementation, the timing of which remains unclear. Additional Member States may decide to participate.

Prospective holders of Notes are advised to seek their own professional advice in relation to the FTT.

## Insolvency risk

In the event that an Issuer becomes insolvent, insolvency proceedings will be generally governed by the insolvency laws of that Issuer's place of incorporation, which in each case is The Netherlands. The insolvency laws of the Issuer's place of incorporation may be different from the insolvency laws of an investor's home jurisdiction and the treatment and ranking of holders of Notes issued by that Issuer and that Issuer's other creditors and shareholders under the insolvency laws of that Issuer's place of incorporation may be different from the treatment and ranking of holders of those Notes and that Issuer's other creditors and shareholders if that Issuer was subject to the insolvency laws of the investor's home jurisdiction.

## Changes in law

The conditions of the Notes and the ratings which may be assigned to them are based on the law of the jurisdiction governing such Notes in effect as at the date of this Base Prospectus. No assurance can be given as to the impact of any possible judicial decision or change to the law in such jurisdiction or administrative practice in such jurisdiction after the date of this Base Prospectus.

#### Bail-In

As more fully described in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in the Global Issuer Registration Document which is incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus, including without limitation under the heading "Bank Recovery and Resolution Regimes", Notes that may be issued under the Programme may become subject to actions that can be taken or measures that can be applied by competent authorities if a bank or insurer experiences serious financial problems or if the stability of the financial system is in serious and immediate danger as a result of the situation of a Dutch financial institution.

In certain circumstances, competent authorities have the power to, *inter alia*, transfer liabilities of an entity to third parties or to a bridge bank and expropriate securities issued by failing financial institutions.

Holders of debt securities of a bank subject to resolution could also be affected by issuer substitution or replacement, transfer of debt, expropriation, modification of terms and/or suspension or termination of listings. In addition, in certain circumstances, competent authorities also have the power to convert relevant capital instruments or eligible liabilities into shares and cancel all or a portion of the principal amount of, or interest on, certain unsecured liabilities (which could include certain securities that have been or will be issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer) of a failing financial institution and/or to convert certain debt claims (which could include certain securities that have been or will be issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer) into another security, including ordinary shares. None of these actions would be expected to constitute an event of default under those securities entitling holders to seek repayment. Other powers of the competent authorities may be to amend the maturity date and/or any interest payment date of debt instruments or other eligible liabilities of the relevant financial institution and/or impose a temporary suspension of payments. None of these actions would be expected to constitute an event of default under those debt instruments or other eligible liabilities entitling holders to seek repayment. Each prospective investor in Notes should refer to the section headed "Risk Factors" in the relevant Registration Document, including without limitation under the heading "Bank Recovery and Resolution Regimes" in the Global Issuer Registration Document.

## Risk Factors relating to the Notes

In addition to the risks identified in "Risk Factors-General Risk Factors" above and the relevant Registration Document, potential investors in Notes should consider the following:

## Risks relating to the structure of a particular issue of Notes

A wide range of Notes may be issued under the Programme. A number of these Notes may have features which contain particular risks for potential investors. Set out below is a description of the most common such features:

## Notes subject to optional redemption by the Issuer

An optional redemption feature in any Notes may negatively impact their market value. During any period when the relevant Issuer may elect to redeem Notes, the market value of those Notes generally will not rise substantially above the price at which they can be redeemed. This also may be true prior to any redemption period.

The relevant Issuer may be expected to redeem Notes when its cost of borrowing is lower than the interest rate on the Notes. At those times, an investor generally would not be able to reinvest the redemption proceeds at an effective interest rate as high as the interest rate on the Notes being redeemed and may only be able to do so at a significantly lower rate. Potential investors should consider reinvestment risk in light of other investments available at that time.

#### Variable Interest Rate Notes with a multiplier or other leverage factor

The Issuers may issue Notes with variable interest rates. Such Notes can be volatile investments. If they are structured to include multipliers or other leverage factors, or caps or floors, or any combination of those features, their market values may be even more volatile than those for securities that do not include those features.

## Fixed Rate Notes

The Issuers may issue Fixed Rate Notes. Such Notes will bear interest at a fixed Rate of Interest, which remains constant during the life of the Notes. Any investors holding these Notes will be subject to the risk that any subsequent increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the real return on the Notes (and the value of the Notes).

## Floating Rate Notes

The Issuers may issue Floating Rate Notes. Such Notes will bear interest at a floating Rate of Interest, which will be subject to market fluctuations in interest rates. In addition, the floating Rate of Interest at any time may be lower than the rates on other Notes.

## Zero Coupon Notes

The Issuers may issue Zero Coupon Notes. Such Notes will bear no interest and an investor will receive no return on the Notes until redemption. Any investors holding these Notes will be subject to the risk that the amortised yield in respect of the Notes may be less than market rates.

#### Tailor-Made Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Tailor-Made Interest Notes. Such Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest based upon an Underlying Rate(t), which will be subject to market fluctuations, and an Underlying Margin(t) as set out in the applicable Final Terms, which may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

In calculating the Rate of Interest payable, a Multiplier(t) is applied to the Underlying Rate(t). The Multiplier(t) will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Multiplier(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor will participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the Multiplier(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t).

Following negative performance of the Underlying Rate(t), it is possible that investors will only receive a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t) (to the extent that a Floor is applicable).

Finally, the Rate of Interest will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the sum of (i) the product of (1) the Multiplier(t) and (2) the Underlying Rate(t) and (ii) the Underlying Margin(t) is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

## Step-Up Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Step-Up Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period, which increases periodically during the life of the Notes by the Step-Up(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms (other than if such Variable Rate Interest Period is the first Interest Period, for which the Notes will bear interest at a fixed Rate of Interest). Any investors holding these Notes will be subject to the risk that any periodic increases in the Rate of Interest for the Notes may not keep pace with any increase in market interest rates, with the consequence that the real return on the Notes (and the value of the Notes) will fall.

### Floater Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Floater Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period, based upon an Underlying Rate(t), which will be subject to market fluctuations, and an Underlying Margin(t), as set out in the applicable Final Terms, which may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

In calculating the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period, a Multiplier(t) is applied to the Underlying Rate(t). The Multiplier(t) will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Multiplier(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor will participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the Multiplier(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t).

Following negative performance of the Underlying Rate(t), it is possible that investors will only receive a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t) (to the extent that a Floor is applicable).

Finally, the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the sum of (i) the product of (1) the Multiplier(t) and (2) the Underlying Rate(t) and (ii) the Underlying Margin(t) is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### Floater with Lock-In Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Floater with Lock-In Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period, based (subject to the Underlying Rate(t) for an Interest Payment Date(t) meeting the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t)) upon an Underlying Rate(t), which will be subject to market fluctuations, and an Underlying Margin(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms, which may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

In calculating the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period (i) in respect of which the Underlying Rate(t) does not meet the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t) (each as specified in the applicable Final Terms) and (ii) where no previous Underlying Rate(t) has met the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t), a Multiplier(t) is applied to the Underlying Rate(t) and such Rate of Interest is capped at the Cap(t). Both the Multiplier(t) and the Cap(t) will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Multiplier(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the Multiplier(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t). To the extent the sum of (i) the product of (1) the Multiplier(t) and (2) the Underlying Rate(t) and (ii) the Underlying Margin(t) is greater than the Cap(t), investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

Following negative performance of the Underlying Rate(t), it is possible that investors will only receive a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t) (to the extent that a Floor is applicable).

If the Underlying Rate(t) meets the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t), then the Rate of Interest payable in respect of such Interest Payment Date(t) and all subsequent Interest Payment Dates,

regardless of the Underlying Rate(t) on such subsequent Interest Payment Dates, will be the Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t), as set out in the applicable Final Terms. Such Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t) may be less than the rate that would have been payable in respect of the Notes had the Underlying Rate(t) not met the Lock-In Criterion.

#### Reverse Floater Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Reverse Floater Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period, equal to the Fix(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms, minus the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier(t) specified in the applicable Final Terms), which will be subject to market fluctuations. The market values of those Notes typically are more volatile than market values of other conventional floating rate debt securities based on the same reference rate (and with otherwise comparable terms) as the Underlying Rate(t). Reverse Floater Interest Notes are more volatile because an increase in the Underlying Rate(t) not only decreases the interest rate of the Notes, but may also reflect an increase in prevailing interest rates, which further adversely affects the market value of these Notes.

As a Multiplier(t) is applied to the Underlying Rate(t), if the Multiplier(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) will be magnified, thereby reducing the interest rate of the Notes even further. If the Multiplier(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance of the Underlying Rate(t) will be scaled down.

Following positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), it is possible that investors will only receive a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t) (to the extent that a Floor is applicable).

Finally, the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the difference when the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by the Multiplier(t)) is subtracted from the Fix(t) is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any negative performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

# Ratchet Floater Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Ratchet Floater Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

"Ratchet Floor without Cap"

If the Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Floor without Cap" will be applicable, the Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period. The Rate of Interest in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) will be the greater of (i) the sum of (1) the product of (a) the Multiplier1(t) and (b) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) and (2) the Ratchet(t) (each as specified in the applicable Final Terms) and (ii) the sum of (1) the product of (a) the Multiplier2(t) and (b) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin(t) (each as specified in the applicable Final Terms).

If the Multiplier1(t) is less than 100 per cent., the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in respect of any Interest Period could be lower than the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in the previous Interest Period. This will be the case where the amount of the Ratchet in the current Interest Period is less than the

product of (x) 100 per cent. minus Multiplier1(t) and (y) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) and the Underlying Rate and/or the Underlying Margin has fallen. Multiplier1(t) may even be zero.

If the Multiplier2(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the Multiplier2(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t). Multiplier2(t) may even be zero.

In addition, the Underlying Margin(t) may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

Any investors holding these Notes will be subject to the risk that any periodic increases in the Rate of Interest for the Notes may not keep pace with any increase in market interest rates, with the consequence that the real return on the Notes (and the value of the Notes) will fall.

"Ratchet Floor with Cap"

If the Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Floor with Cap" will be applicable, the Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period. The Rate of Interest in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) will be the greater of (i) the sum of (1) the product of (a) the Multiplier1(t) and (b) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) and (2) the Ratchet(t) (each as specified in the applicable Final Terms) and (ii) the sum of (1) the product of (a) the Multiplier2(t) and (b) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin(t) (each as specified in the applicable Final Terms). Such variable Rate of Interest will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent that (i) or (ii) above is greater than the Cap(t), investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t).

If the Multiplier1(t) is less than 100 per cent., the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in respect of any Interest Period could be lower than the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in the previous Interest Period. This will be the case where the amount of the Ratchet in the current Interest Period is less than the product of (x) 100 per cent. minus the Multiplier1(t) and (y) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) and the Underlying Rate and/or the Underlying Margin has fallen. Multiplier1(t) may even be zero.

If the Multiplier2(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the Multiplier2(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t). Multiplier2(t) may even be zero.

In addition, the Underlying Margin(t) may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

Any investors holding these Notes will be subject to the risk that any periodic increases in the Rate of Interest for the Notes may not keep pace with any increase in market interest rates, with the consequence that the real return on the Notes (and the value of the Notes) will fall.

Finally, the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. Investors may therefore not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance in the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will capped.

"Ratchet Cap without Floor"

If the Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Cap without Floor" will be applicable, the Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period.

The Rate of Interest in respect of the first Interest Payment Date(t) will be based upon an Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier2(t) specified in the applicable Final Terms), which will be subject to market fluctuations, and an Underlying Margin(t), as set out in the applicable Final Terms, which may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

The Rate of Interest in respect of all subsequent Interest Payment Dates will be the lesser of (i) the sum of (1) the product of (a) the Multiplier1(t) and (b) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) and (2) the Ratchet(t) (each as specified in the applicable Final Terms) and (ii) the sum of (1) the product of (a) the Multiplier2(t) and (b) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin(t) (each as specified in the applicable Final Terms). As a result, the Rate of Interest in respect of the second and all subsequent Variable Rate Interest Periods will be capped at the sum of (i) the product of (1) the Multiplier1(t) and (2) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) and (ii) the Ratchet(t).

Investors will therefore not benefit from any increase in the Underlying Rate (as multiplied by the Multiplier2(t)) and the Underlying Margin to the extent that these exceed the sum of (1) the product of (a) Multiplier1(t) and (b) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) and (2) the Ratchet(t).

If the Multiplier1(t) is less than 100 per cent., the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in respect of any Interest Period could be lower than the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in the previous Interest Period. This will be the case where the amount of the Ratchet in the current Interest Period is less than the product of (x) 100 per cent. minus the Multiplier1(t) and (y) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) or where the value of the Underlying Rate (as multiplied by the Multiplier2(t)) and the Underlying Margin(t) has fallen as compared with the previous Interest Period. Multiplier1(t) may even be zero.

If the Multiplier2(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the Multiplier2(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t). Multiplier2(t) may even be zero.

In addition, the Underlying Margin(t) may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

Any investors holding these Notes will be subject to the risk that any periodic increases in the Rate of Interest for the Notes may not keep pace with any increase in market interest rates, with the consequence that the real return on the Notes (and the value of the Notes) will fall.

"Ratchet Cap with Floor"

If the Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Cap with Floor" will be applicable, the Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period.

The Rate of Interest in respect of the first Interest Payment Date(t) will be based upon an Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier2(t) specified in the applicable Final Terms), which will be subject to market fluctuations, and an Underlying Margin(t), as set out in the applicable Final Terms, which may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

The Rate of Interest in respect of all subsequent Interest Payment Date(t) will be the lesser of (i) the sum of (1) the product of (a) the Multiplier1(t) and (b) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) and (2) the Ratchet(t) (each as specified in the applicable Final Terms) and (ii) the sum of (1) the product of (a) the Multiplier2(t) and (b) the Underlying Rate(t) and (2) the Underlying Margin(t) (each as specified in the applicable Final Terms). As a result, the Rate of Interest in respect of the second and all subsequent Variable Rate Interest Periods will be capped at the sum of (i) the product of (1) the Multiplier1(t) and (2) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) and (ii) the Ratchet(t).

Investors will therefore not benefit from any increase in the Underlying Rate (as multiplied by Multiplier2(t)) and the Underlying Margin to the extent that these exceed the sum of (1) the product of (a) the Multiplier1(t) and (b) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) and (2) the Ratchet(t).

If the Multiplier1(t) is less than 100 per cent., the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in respect of any Interest Period could be lower than the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in the previous Interest Period. This will be the case where the amount of the Ratchet in the current Interest Period is less than the product of (x) 100 per cent. minus the Multiplier1(t) and (y) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) or where the value of the Underlying Rate (as multiplied by the Multiplier2(t)) and the Underlying Margin(t) has fallen as compared with the previous Interest Period. Multiplier1(t) may even be zero.

If the Multiplier2(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the Multiplier2(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t). Multiplier2(t) may even be zero.

In addition, the Underlying Margin(t) may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

Any investors holding these Notes will be subject to the risk that any periodic increases in the Rate of Interest for the Notes may not keep pace with any increase in market interest rates, with the consequence that the real return on the Notes (and the value of the Notes) will fall.

Following negative performance of the Underlying Rate(t), it is possible that investors will only receive a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t) (to the extent that a Floor is applicable).

#### Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes. Such Notes may bear interest at a rate that the relevant Issuer may elect to convert from a fixed rate to a floating rate. The relevant Issuer's ability to convert the interest rate will affect the secondary market trading and the market value generally of the Notes, since the relevant Issuer may be expected to convert the rate when it is likely to produce a lower overall cost of borrowing. If the relevant Issuer converts from a fixed rate to a floating rate, the margin on the Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes may be less favourable than then prevailing margins on comparable Floating Rate Notes tied to the same reference rate. In addition, the new floating rate at any time may be lower than the rates on other Notes.

Where the Issuer has elected to convert from a fixed rate to a floating rate, the Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest(Floating)(t) in respect of any Interest Period commencing on and including the Interest Payment Date specified in the election notice or, if no date is specified, in respect of the Interest Period commencing on and including the Interest Payment Date following the exercise by the Issuer of such election, and for each subsequent Interest Period thereafter up to and including the Interest Period ending on

(but excluding) the final Interest Payment Date. During such Variable Rate Interest Period, the Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest(Floating)(t) based upon an Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier(t) specified in the applicable Final Terms), which will be subject to market fluctuations, and an Underlying Margin(t), as set out in the applicable Final Terms, which may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

Where the Issuer has not elected to convert from a fixed rate to a floating rate, the Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)). During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

If the Multiplier(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor will participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the Multiplier(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t).

Following negative performance of the Underlying Rate(t), it is possible that investors will only receive a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t) (to the extent that a Floor is applicable).

Finally, the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the product of the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by the Multiplier(t)) and the Underlying Margin(t) is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes. Such Notes may bear interest at a rate that the relevant Issuer may elect to convert from a floating rate to a fixed rate. The relevant Issuer's ability to convert the interest rate will affect the secondary market trading and the market value generally of the Notes, since the relevant Issuer may be expected to convert the rate when it is likely to produce a lower overall cost of borrowing. If the relevant Issuer converts from a floating rate to a fixed rate, the fixed rate may be lower than then prevailing market rates.

Where the Issuer has elected to convert from a floating rate to a fixed rate, the Notes will bear interest at a fixed Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) in respect of any Interest Period commencing on and including the Interest Payment Date specified in the election notice or, if no date is specified, in respect of the Interest Period commencing on and including the Interest Payment Date following the exercise by the Issuer of such election, and for each subsequent Interest Period thereafter up to and including the Interest Period ending on (but excluding) the final Interest Payment Date. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

Where the Issuer has not elected to convert from a floating rate to a fixed rate, the Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest(Floating)(t). The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest(Floating)(t), during any Variable Rate Interest Period, based upon an Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier(t) specified in the applicable Final Terms), which will be subject to market fluctuations, and an Underlying Margin(t), as set out in the applicable Final Terms, which may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

If the Multiplier(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor will participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the

Multiplier(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t).

Finally, the Rate of Interest(Floating)(t) in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the product of the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by the Multiplier(t)) and the Underlying Margin(t) is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

# Steepener Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Steepener Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period, based upon a Spread(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier(t) specified in the applicable Final Terms), which is calculated as the difference when the Underlying Rate2(t) is subtracted from the Underlying Rate1(t). As the Rate of Interest is determined by reference to a spread, such Rate of Interest may not reflect increases in market interest rates.

In the case of a positive performance by both Underlying Rate2(t) and Underlying Rate1(t), the Spread(t) will decrease between Interest Payment Dates if Underlying Rate2(t) performs more favourably than Underlying Rate1(t). If there is a positive performance by Underlying Rate2(t) and a negative performance by Underlying Rate1(t), then such decrease in the Spread(t) will be more pronounced and not simply proportionate to any negative performance of Underlying Rate1(t).

If the Multiplier(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any increase in the Spread(t), but any decrease in the Spread(t) will also be magnified. If the Multiplier(t) is less than 100 per cent., any decrease in the Spread(t) will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any increase in the Spread(t). Following negative performance of the Underlying Rate1(t) compared to Underlying Rate2(t), it is possible that investors will only receive a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t).

Finally, the Rate of Interest calculated in accordance with the above will be capped at the Cap(t). To the extent the product of the Multiplier(t) and the Spread(t) is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate1(t) compared to Underlying Rate2(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### Steepener with Lock-In Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Steepener Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period, at the Reference Rate(t) (subject to the Reference Rate(t) for an Interest Payment Date(t) meeting the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t)). The Reference Rate(t) is based upon a Spread(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier(t) specified in the applicable Final Terms), calculated as the difference when the Underlying Rate2(t) is subtracted from the Underlying Rate1(t). As the Rate of Interest is determined by reference to a spread, such Rate of Interest may not reflect increases in market interest rates. In the case of a positive performance by both Underlying Rate2(t) and Underlying Rate1(t), the Spread(t) will decrease between

Interest Payment Dates if Underlying Rate2(t) performs more favourably than Underlying Rate1(t). If there is a positive performance by Underlying Rate2(t) and a negative performance by Underlying Rate1(t), then such decrease in the Spread(t) will be more pronounced and not simply proportionate to any negative performance of Underlying Rate1(t).

In calculating the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period (i) in respect of which the Reference Rate(t) does not meet the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t) (each as specified in the applicable Final Terms) and (ii) where no previous Reference Rate(t) has met the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t), a Multiplier(t) is applied to the Spread(t). If the Multiplier(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor will participate disproportionately in any increase in the Spread(t), but any decrease in the Spread(t) will also be magnified. If the Multiplier(t) is less than 100 per cent., any decrease in the Spread(t) will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any increase in the Spread(t). Following negative performance of the Underlying Rate1(t) compared to Underlying Rate2(t), it is possible that investors will only receive a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t).

The Rate of Interest calculated in accordance with the above will be capped at the Cap(t). To the extent the product of the Multiplier(t) and the Spread(t) is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate1(t) compared to Underlying Rate2(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

If the Reference Rate(t) meets the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t), then the Rate of Interest payable in respect of such Interest Payment Date(t) and all subsequent Interest Payment Dates, regardless of the Underlying Rate1(t) and Underlying Rate2(t) on such subsequent Interest Payment Dates, will be the Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t), as set out in the applicable Final Terms. Such Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t) may be less than the rate that would have been payable in respect of the Notes, had the Reference Rate(t) not met the Lock-In Criterion.

#### Range Accrual(Rates) Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Range Accrual(Rates) Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed Rate of Interest during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes during any Variable Rate Interest Period is linked to the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms). Such number of Range Accrual Observation Dates is divided by the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period and the resultant figure is multiplied by a rate calculated as the sum of (i) the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier1(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms), and (ii) an Underlying Margin1(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The resultant rate is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".

The total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) does not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) or does not meet the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) is then divided by the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period and the resultant figure is multiplied by a rate calculated as the sum of (i) the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier2(t), as

specified in the applicable Final Terms), and (ii) an Underlying Margin2(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The resultant rate is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".

The Rate of Interest applicable to any Variable Rate Interest Period will be the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and the Inverse Range Accrual Rate.

The Underlying Rate(t) and the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) will be subject to market fluctuations. The Underlying Margin1(t) and Underlying Margin2(t) may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

If the relevant multiplier (being either "Multiplier1(t)" or "Multiplier2(t)") is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t). The relevant multiplier may even be zero.

Finally, the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the sum of Range Accrual Rate and the Inverse Range Accrual Rate is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed Rate of Interest during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes during any Variable Rate Interest Period is linked to the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms). Such number of Range Accrual Observation Dates is divided by the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period and the resultant figure is multiplied by a rate calculated as the sum of (i) the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier1(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms), and (ii) an Underlying Margin1(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The resultant rate is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".

The Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) is calculated as the difference when the Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t) is subtracted from Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t).

The total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) does not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) or does not meet the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) is then divided by the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period and the resultant figure is multiplied by a rate calculated as the sum of (i) the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier2(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms), and (ii) an Underlying Margin2(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The resultant rate is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".

The Rate of Interest applicable to any Variable Rate Interest Period will be the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and the Inverse Range Accrual Rate.

As the Rate of Interest is determined by reference to a spread, such Rate of Interest may not reflect increases in market interest rates.

In the case of a positive performance by both Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t) and Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t), the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) will decrease between Interest Payment Dates if Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t) performs more favourably than Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t). If there is a positive performance by Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t) and a negative performance by Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t), then such decrease in the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) will be more pronounced and not simply proportionate to any negative performance of Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t). As a result, the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) may not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms). Conversely, if there is a positive performance by Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t) and a negative performance by Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t), then such increase in the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) will be more pronounced and not simply proportionate to any positive performance of Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t), resulting in the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) not meeting the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms).

The Underlying Rate(t), Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t) and Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t) will be subject to market fluctuations. The Underlying Margin1(t) and Underlying Margin2(t) may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

If the relevant multiplier (being either "Multiplier1(t)" or "Multiplier2(t)") is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t). The relevant multiplier may even be zero.

Finally, the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the sum of that Range Accrual Rate and the Inverse Range Accrual Rate is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### **Inverse Range Accrual Interest Notes**

The Issuers may issue Inverse Range Accrual Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed Rate of Interest during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes during any Variable Rate Interest Period is linked to the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) does not meet the Range Accrual Floor (c) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) or does not meet the Range Accrual Cap (c) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable in the applicable in the applicable in the applicable Final Terms). Such number of Range Accrual Observation Dates is divided by the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period and the resultant figure is multiplied by a rate calculated as the sum of (i) the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied

by a Multiplier1(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms), and (ii) an Underlying Margin1(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The resultant rate is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".

The total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) is then divided by the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period and the resultant figure is multiplied by a rate calculated as the sum of (i) the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier2(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms), and (ii) an Underlying Margin2(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The resultant rate is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".

The Rate of Interest applicable to any Variable Rate Interest Period will be the sum of the Inverse Range Accrual Rate and the Range Accrual Rate.

The Underlying Rate(t) and the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) will be subject to market fluctuations. The Underlying Margin1(t) and Underlying Margin2(t) may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

If the relevant multiplier (being either Multiplier1(t) or Multiplier2(t)) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t). The relevant multiplier may even be zero.

Finally, the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the sum of the Inverse Range Accrual Rate and the Range Accrual Rate is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### KO Range Accrual Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue KO Range Accrual Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes during any Variable Rate Interest Period depends on whether the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) met the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and met the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) on every Range Accrual Observation Date during the Range Accrual Observation Period.

Where on all the Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) met the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and met the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms), the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes during the relevant Variable Rate Interest Period will be the sum of (i) the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier1(t), as

specified in the applicable Final Terms), and (ii) an Underlying Margin1(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

If the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) does not fall within the designated range on all days in the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the Range Accrual Rate for the relevant Interest Period will be zero.

If the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) does not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) or does not meet the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms), on every Range Accrual Observation Date during the Range Accrual Observation Period, the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes during the relevant Variable Rate Interest Period will be the sum of (i) the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier2(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms), and (ii) an Underlying Margin2(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The resultant rate is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".

The Underlying Rate(t) and the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) will be subject to market fluctuations. The Underlying Margin1(t) and Underlying Margin2(t) may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

If the relevant multiplier (being either Multiplier1(t) or Multiplier2(t)) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t). The relevant multiplier may even be zero.

Finally, the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the applicable Rate of Interest (being either the Range Accrual Rate or the Inverse Range Accrual Rate) is greater than the Cap(t), investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### **Dual Range Accrual Interest Notes**

The Issuers may issue Dual Range Accrual Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes during any Variable Rate Interest Period is linked to the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which (i) the Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion1 with respect to the Range Accrual Floor1(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor1(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion1 with respect to the Range Accrual Cap1(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap1(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and (ii) Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion2 with respect to the Range Accrual Floor2(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor2(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion2 with respect to the Range Accrual Cap2(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap2(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms). Such number of Range Accrual Observation Dates is divided by the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period and the resultant figure is multiplied by a rate calculated as the sum of (i) the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier1(t), as specified in the

applicable Final Terms), and (ii) an Underlying Margin1(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The resultant rate is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".

The total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which (i) the Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) does not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion1 with respect to the Range Accrual Floor1(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor1(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and does not meet the Range Accrual Cap Criterion1 with respect to the Range Accrual Cap1(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap1(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) or (ii) Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) does not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion2 with respect to the Range Accrual Floor2(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor2(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and does not meet the Range Accrual Cap Criterion2 with respect to the Range Accrual Cap2(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap2(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) is then divided by the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period and the resultant figure is multiplied by a rate calculated as the sum of (i) the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier2(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms), and (ii) an Underlying Margin2(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The resultant rate is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".

The Rate of Interest applicable to any Variable Rate Interest Period will be the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and the Inverse Range Accrual Rate.

The Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) will be the Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t) or the Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t) (as specified in the applicable Final Terms), where the Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t) is calculated as the difference when the Range Accrual Reference RateB(t) is subtracted from the Range Accrual Reference RateA(t). The Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) will be either the Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t) or the Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t) (as specified in the applicable Final Terms), where the Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t) is calculated as the difference when the Range Accrual Reference RateD(t) is subtracted from the Range Accrual Reference RateC(t).

Where the Rate of Interest is determined by reference to a spread, such Rate of Interest may not reflect increases in market interest rates.

Where the Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) is the Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t), in the case of a positive performance by both Range Accrual Reference RateB(t) and Range Accrual Reference RateA(t), the Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t) will decrease between Interest Payment Dates if Range Accrual Reference RateB(t) performs more favourably than Range Accrual Reference RateA(t). If there is a positive performance by Range Accrual Reference RateB(t) and a negative performance by Range Accrual Reference RateA(t), then such decrease in the Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t) will be more pronounced and not simply proportionate to any negative performance of Range Accrual Reference RateA(t). As a result, the Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t) may not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion1 with respect to the Range Accrual Floor1(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor1(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms). Conversely, if there is a positive performance by Range Accrual Reference RateA(t) and a negative performance by Range Accrual Reference RateB(t), then such increase in the Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t) will be more pronounced and not simply proportionate to any positive performance of Range Accrual Reference RateA(t), resulting in the Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t) not meeting the Range Accrual Cap Criterion1 with respect to the Range Accrual Cap1(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap1(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms).

Where the Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) is the Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t), in the case of a positive performance by both Range Accrual Reference RateD(t) and Range Accrual Reference RateC(t), the Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t) will decrease between Interest Payment Dates if Range Accrual Reference RateD(t) performs more favourably than Range Accrual Reference RateC(t). If there is a positive

performance by Range Accrual Reference RateD(t) and a negative performance by Range Accrual Reference RateC(t), then such decrease in the Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t) will be more pronounced and not simply proportionate to any negative performance of Range Accrual Reference RateC(t). As a result, the Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t) may not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion2 with respect to the Range Accrual Floor2(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor2(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms). Conversely, if there is a positive performance by Range Accrual Reference RateC(t) and a negative performance by Range Accrual Reference RateD(t), then such increase in the Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t) will be more pronounced and not simply proportionate to any positive performance of Range Accrual Reference RateC(t), resulting in the Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t) not meeting the Range Accrual Cap Criterion2 with respect to the Range Accrual Cap2(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap2(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms).

The Underlying Rate(t), Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t), Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t), Range Accrual Reference RateA(t), Range Accrual Reference RateB(t), Range Accrual Reference RateC(t) and Range Accrual Reference RateD(t) will be subject to market fluctuations. The Underlying Margin1(t) and Underlying Margin2(t) may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t).

If the relevant multiplier (being either "Multiplier1(t)" or "Multiplier2(t)") is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t). The relevant multiplier may even be zero.

Finally, the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and the Inverse Range Accrual Rate is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### Snowball Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Snowball Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, or if there is no Fixed Rate Period, in the case of the first Interest Period such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)). During any Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period, equal to the sum of (i) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier1(t) specified in the applicable Final Terms) and (ii) the difference when the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier2(t) specified in the applicable Final Terms) is subtracted from the Fix(t) (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) (other than if such Variable Rate Interest Period is the first Interest Period, for which the Notes will bear interest at a fixed Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)). The Underlying Rate(t) will be subject to market fluctuations. The market values of those Notes typically are more volatile than market values of other conventional floating rate debt securities based on the same reference rate (and with otherwise comparable terms) as the Underlying Rate(t). Snowball Interest Notes are more volatile because an increase in the Underlying Rate(t) not only decreases the interest rate of the Notes, but may also reflect an increase in prevailing interest rates, which further adversely affects the market value of these Notes.

If the Multiplier1(t) is less than 100 per cent., the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in respect of any Interest Period could be lower than the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in the previous Interest Period.

As Multiplier2(t) is applied to the Underlying Rate(t), if the Multiplier2(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) will be magnified, thereby reducing the interest rate of the Notes even further. If the Multiplier2(t) is less than 100 per cent., any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) will be scaled down. In addition, as the Rate of Interest in respect of the Notes is also dependent on the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date, a positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) will be reflected inversely in the Rate of Interest in respect of each subsequent Interest Payment Date.

Following positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), it is possible that investors will only receive a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t).

Finally, the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the sum of (i) the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) (multiplied by the Multiplier1(t)) and (ii) the difference when the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by the Multiplier2(t)) is subtracted from the Fix(t) is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any negative performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### SnowRanger Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue SnowRanger Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes during any Variable Rate Interest Period is linked to the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms). Such number of Range Accrual Observation Dates ("n") is divided by the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in the Range Accrual Observation Period ("N") and the resultant figure is multiplied (i) if such Variable Rate Interest Period is the first Interest Period, by a rate based upon the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier1(t)) and an Underlying Margin(t), each as set out in the applicable Final Terms or (ii) if such Variable Rate Interest Period is an Interest Period(t) other than the first Interest Period, a rate based on the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date (multiplied by the Multiplier2(t) specified in the applicable Final Terms) and an Underlying Margin(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier1(t)), each as set out in the applicable Final Terms.

The Underlying Rate(t) and the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) will be subject to market fluctuations. Market fluctuations during the Range Accrual Observation Period will affect the value of "n" used in the aforementioned calculations. If the first Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period, then the Underlying Rate(t) in respect of the first Interest Payment Date(t) will determine the Rate of Interest payable on such date. Furthermore, as the Rate of Interest in respect of the Notes is also dependent on the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date, a negative performance of the Underlying Rate(t) in respect of the first Interest Payment Date(t) (if the related Variable Rate Interest Period is the first Interest Period) and any negative performance of the Underlying Rate(t) over each Range Accrual Period will be reflected in the Rate of Interest in respect of each subsequent Interest Payment Date.

The Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent that (i) if the relevant Variable Rate Interest Period is the first Interest Period, the sum of the Underlying Rate(t) (multiplied by a Multiplier1(t)) and the Underlying

Margin(t) or (ii) if the relevant Variable Rate Interest Period is not the first Interest Period, the Rate of Interest in respect of the previous Interest Payment Date(t) (multiplied by the Multiplier2(t)) and the Underlying Margin(t) and, in each case, as multiplied by the quotient of n divided by N, is greater than the Cap(t), investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t) as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

If the Multiplier1(t) is higher than 100 per cent., the investor will participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the Multiplier1(t) is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t).

If the Multiplier2(t) is less than 100 per cent., the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in respect of any Interest Period could be lower than the Rate of Interest payable on the Notes in the previous Interest Period.

If the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) does not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) (if "Range Accrual Floor(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) or does not meet the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) (if "Range Accrual Cap(t)" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms) on enough days during the Range Accrual Observation Period, investors will only receive a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t) in respect of the relevant Variable Rate Interest Period.

#### Barrier(Rates) Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Barrier(Rates) Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period, based upon an Underlying Rate(t), which will be subject to market fluctuations, and a margin (being either Underlying Margin1(t), Underlying Margin2(t) or Underlying Margin3(t)), which may be less favourable than the margin on floating rate securities issued by the Issuers that are linked to the same reference rate as the Underlying Rate(t). The applicable margin will depend on the Underlying Rate(t). If the Underlying Rate(t) does not meet the Upper Barrier Criterion with respect to the Upper Barrier(t), such margin will be the Underlying Margin1(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Underlying Rate(t) (i) meets the Upper Barrier Criterion with respect to the Upper Barrier(t) and (ii) meets the Lower Barrier Criterion with respect to the Underlying Margin2(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Finally, if the Underlying Rate(t) does not meet the Lower Barrier Criterion with respect to the Lower Barrier(t), such margin will be the Underlying Margin3(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

In calculating the Rate of Interest in respect of any Variable Rate Interest Period, a multiplier is applied to the Underlying Rate(t). The applicable multiplier will depend on the Underlying Rate(t). If the Underlying Rate(t) does not meet the Upper Barrier Criterion with respect to the Upper Barrier(t), such multiplier will be the Multiplier(Upper Barrier)(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Underlying Rate(t) (i) meets the Upper Barrier Criterion with respect to the Upper Barrier(t) and (ii) meets the Lower Barrier Criterion with respect to the Lower Barrier(t), such multiplier will be the Multiplier(Barrier)(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Finally, if the Underlying Rate(t) does not meet the Lower Barrier Criterion with respect to the Lower Barrier(t), such multiplier will be the Multiplier(Lower Barrier)(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

If the relevant multiplier is higher than 100 per cent., the investor may participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t), but any negative performance will also be magnified. If

the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Underlying Rate(t).

#### Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period, based on the sum of (i) the product of (1) the percentage change in the level of the Index between the level of the Index in respect of Reference Month (t-1) (or if the Interest Period(t) is the first Interest Period, the Initial Reference Month) and the level of the Index in respect of the Reference Month(t) and (2) the Participation(t), (ii) the Underlying Margin1(t) and (iii) the Underlying Margin2(t), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

As the variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period depends on the performance of the Index, a fall in the level of the Index may result in investors only receiving a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t) (to the extent that a Floor is applicable) plus the Underlying Margin2(t).

If the Participation is higher than 100 per cent., the investor will participate disproportionately in any positive performance of the Index, but any negative performance will also be magnified. If the Participation is less than 100 per cent., any negative performance will be scaled down, but investors will not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Index.

Finally, the Rate of Interest will be capped at the Cap(t) plus the Underlying Margin2(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the sum of (i) the product of (1) the percentage change in the level of the Index between the level of the Index in respect of Reference Month (t-1) (or if the Interest Period(t) is the first Interest Period, the Initial Reference Month) and the level of the Index in respect of the Reference Month(t) and (2) the Participation(t), and (ii) the Underlying Margin1(t) is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Index as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed Interest Notes

The Issuers may issue Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed Interest Notes. If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified to apply in the applicable Final Terms, such Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest (being Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)) during any Interest Period(t) falling within the Fixed Rate Interest Period. During such Fixed Rate Interest Period, any increases in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

The Notes will bear interest at a variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period, based on a fixed Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) which is adjusted to take into account changes in the level of the Index between the level of the Index in respect of the Initial Reference Month and the level of the Index in respect of the Reference Month(t), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

As the variable Rate of Interest during any Variable Rate Interest Period depends on the performance of the Index, a fall in the level of the Index may result in investors only receiving a Rate of Interest equal to the Floor(t) (to the extent that a Floor is applicable).

Finally, the Rate of Interest will be capped at the Cap(t), which is specified in the applicable Final Terms. To the extent the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t), adjusted to take into account changes in the level of the

Index between the level of the Index in respect of the Initial Reference Month and the level of the Index in respect of the Reference Month(t), is greater than the Cap(t), investors may not benefit from the full extent of any positive performance of the Index as the Rate of Interest will be capped.

#### Inflation Indexed Redemption Notes

If the Final Terms specify that the "Inflation Indexed Redemption Note Provisions" apply, the Final Redemption Amount of the Notes will depend on the percentage change in the level of the Index between the level of the Index in respect of the Initial Reference Month and the level of the Index in respect of the Final Reference Month, each as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

If the level of the Index has fallen, the Final Redemption Amount of the Notes will be lower than the denomination of the Notes and investors may therefore lose some or all of their investment in the Notes.

#### Inflation Indexed with Floor Redemption Notes

If the Final Terms specify that the "Inflation Indexed with Floor Redemption Note Provisions" apply, the Final Redemption Amount of the Notes will depend on the (i) the percentage change in the level of the Index between the level of the Index in respect of the Initial Reference Month and the level of the Index in respect of the Final Reference Month, (ii) the Inflation Cap, (iii) the Inflation Floor, (iv) the Redemption Margin1 and (v) the Redemption Margin2, each as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

If the level of the Index has fallen, the Final Redemption Amount of the Notes will be equal to the denomination of the Notes multiplied by the sum of (i) 100%, (ii) the Inflation Floor and (iii) the Redemption Margin2. An investor's investment in the Notes will therefore only be protected to the extent that the sum of the Inflation Floor and the Redemption Margin2 is at least zero.

Moreover the Final Redemption Amount of the Notes will be subject to a cap equal to the denomination of the Notes multiplied by the sum of (i) 100%, (ii) the Inflation Cap and (iii) the Redemption Margin2. Accordingly, investors will not benefit from any percentage increase in the level of the Index to the extent that such increase (together with Redemption Margin1) exceeds the Inflation Cap.

#### **Inflation Linked Notes**

The Global Issuer may issue Inflation Linked Notes with principal and/or interest determined by reference to a particular inflation index. Potential investors should be aware that:

- 1. the market price of such Inflation Linked Notes may be very volatile. The market price of the Inflation Linked Notes at any time is likely to be affected primarily by changes in the level of the inflation index to which the Inflation Linked Notes are linked. It is impossible to predict how the level of the inflation index will vary over time;
- 2. such Inflation Linked Notes may involve interest rate risk, including the risk of Noteholders receiving no interest;
- 3. payment of principal or interest may occur at a different time or in a different currency than expected;
- 4. they may lose all or a substantial portion of their principal;
- 5. an inflation index may be subject to significant fluctuations that may not correlate with changes in interest rates, currencies or other securities, indices or funds, resulting in principal or interest payable that also may not correlate with such changes;
- 6. an inflation index connected to emerging markets may be subject to significant fluctuations attributable to, among other things, nationalisation, expropriation or taxation, currency devaluation, foreign exchange control, political, social or diplomatic instability or

governmental restrictions. The capital markets in emerging market countries have substantially less volume, and are generally less liquid and more volatile, than those in more developed markets. As a result, an investor in Inflation Linked Notes connected to emerging markets should be prepared to hold such Inflation Linked Notes for an indefinite period and to experience potentially sharp changes in the value of such Inflation Linked Notes throughout that period. Disclosure and regulatory requirements could be less stringent than in other markets, with a low level of monitoring and limited and uneven enforcement of existing regulations. An investor in Inflation Linked Notes connected to emerging markets may therefore experience a decrease in the value of such Inflation Linked Notes as a result of market or other developments that are less likely in more stringently regulated markets;

- 7. if the principal and/or interest payable in relation to Inflation Linked Notes contains a multiplier greater than one or contains some other leverage factor, the effect of changes in the Relevant Factor on principal or interest payable likely will be magnified;
- 8. the timing of changes in an inflation index may affect the actual yield to investors, even if the average level is consistent with their expectations. In general, the earlier the change in the inflation index, the greater the effect on yield;
- Inflation Linked Notes are of limited maturity and, unlike direct investments in an inflation index investors are not able to hold them beyond the Maturity Date in the expectation of a recovery in the price of the underlying;
- 10. the price at which an investor will be able to sell Inflation Linked Notes prior to the Maturity Date may be at a substantial discount to the market value of the Inflation Linked Notes at the time they are issued depending on the performance of the inflation index;
- there are market risks associated with an actual investment in the underlying inflation index and, although the Inflation Linked Notes do not create an actual interest in such underlying inflation index, the return on the Inflation Linked Notes generally involves the same associated risks as an actual investment in the underlying inflation index. Potential investors in Inflation Linked Notes should understand that the Issuers have not purported and do not purport to be a source of information concerning the market risks associated with such underlying inflation index;
- 12. the Issuer may invest in the underlying inflation index for its own account, and may exercise its discretion in respect of matters concerning its holdings of such interests as it sees fit, without regard to the interests of any investor in the Inflation Linked Notes;
- inflation indices may not correlate with other indices and may not correlate perfectly with the rate of inflation experienced by purchasers of the Notes in such jurisdiction. The value of the Notes which are linked to an inflation index may be based on a calculation made by reference to such inflation index for a month which is several months prior to the date of payment on the Notes and therefore could be substantially different from the level of inflation at the time of the payment on the Notes; and
- 14. upon the occurrence of certain events in relation to an inflation index e.g. the inflation index level has not been published or is discontinued or is corrected or such inflation index is rebased or materially modified then, depending on the particular event, the Calculation Agent or the Issuers may have discretion to determine the level, substitute the original inflation index, adjust the terms and conditions of the Notes or redeem the Notes. Any such event and consequent exercise of discretion by the Calculation Agent or the Issuers may have an adverse effect on the value of the Notes.

#### Notes issued at a substantial discount or premium

The issue price of Notes specified in the applicable Final Terms may be more than the market value of such Notes as at the Issue Date, and more than the price, if any, at which a Dealer or any other person is willing to purchase the Notes in the secondary market. In particular, where permitted by applicable law, the issue price in respect of any Notes may take into account amounts with respect to commissions relating to the issue and sale of such Notes and amounts relating to the hedging of the Issuer's obligations under such Notes, and secondary market prices are likely to exclude such amounts. In addition, pricing models of market participants may differ or produce a different result.

The market values of Notes issued at a substantial discount (such as Zero Coupon Notes) or premium from their principal amount tend to fluctuate more in relation to general changes in interest rates than do prices for more conventional interest-bearing Notes. Generally, the longer the remaining term of such Notes, the greater the price volatility as compared to more conventional interest-bearing Notes with comparable maturities.

# The Australian Notes do not constitute deposit liabilities under applicable Australian statutory provisions

The depositor protection provisions contained in Division 2 of Part II of the Banking Act 1959 of the Commonwealth of Australia (the "Australian Banking Act") (including, without limitation, Section 13A) do not apply to the Australian Notes. Australian Domestic Instruments or any other Notes issued by the Australian Issuer are not "protected accounts" within the meaning of the Australian Banking Act.

However, under Section 11F of the Australian Banking Act, if the Australian Issuer (whether in or outside Australia) suspends payment or is unable to meet its obligations, the assets of the Australian Issuer in Australia are to be available to meet the Australian Issuer's liabilities in Australia in priority to all other liabilities of the Australian Issuer.

Further, under Section 86 of the Reserve Bank Act 1959 of the Commonwealth of Australia ("**RBA Act**"), debts due by an ADI to the Reserve Bank of Australia shall, in a winding-up of that ADI, have priority over all other debts. The Australian Issuer is an "ADI".

#### **Exchange rates and exchange controls**

The Issuers will pay principal and interest on the Notes in the Specified Currency. This presents certain risks relating to currency conversions if an investor's financial activities are denominated principally in a currency or currency unit (the "Investor's Currency") other than the Specified Currency. These include the risk that exchange rates may significantly change (including changes due to devaluation of the Specified Currency or revaluation of the Investor's Currency) and the risk that authorities with jurisdiction over the Investor's Currency may impose or modify exchange controls. An appreciation in the value of the Investor's Currency relative to the Specified Currency would decrease (1) the Investor's Currency-equivalent yield on the Notes, (2) the Investor's Currency-equivalent value of the principal payable on the Notes and (3) the Investor's Currency-equivalent market value of the Notes.

The Issuers may also issue Notes where the amount of principal and/or interest payable is linked to the performance of one or more exchange rates. Movements in such exchange rates will impact the amount of principal and/or interest payable by the Issuers and may result in investors receiving less than they had expected.

Government and monetary authorities may impose (as some have done in the past) exchange controls that could adversely affect an applicable exchange rate and/or restrict the convertibility or transferability of currencies within and/or outside of a particular jurisdiction which in turn could adversely affect the ability of

an Issuer to make payments in respect of the Notes. As a result, investors may receive less interest or principal than expected, or receive it later than expected or not at all.

#### No gross-up

All payments made by the Issuers in respect of the Notes and by the Guarantor in respect of its guarantee in respect of the Guaranteed Americas Notes shall be made subject to any tax, duty, withholding or other payment which may be required to be made, paid, withheld or deducted. Noteholders will not be entitled to receive grossed-up amounts to compensate for any such tax, duty, withholding or other payment and no event of default shall occur as a result of any such withholding or deduction. As a result, investors may receive less interest than expected and the return on their Notes could be significantly adversely affected. In addition, each of the Issuers shall have the right to redeem Notes issued by them if, on the occasion of the next payment due in respect of such Notes, the relevant Issuer would be required to withhold or account for tax in respect of such Notes.

#### Interest rate risks

An investment in Fixed Rate Notes involves the risk that subsequent changes in market interest rates may adversely affect the value of the Fixed Rate Notes.

#### Notes in New Global Note form

The New Global Note form has been introduced to allow for the possibility of notes being issued and held in a manner which will permit them to be recognised as eligible collateral for monetary policy of the central banking system for the euro (the "Eurosystem") and intra-day credit operations by the Eurosystem either upon issue or at any or all times during their life. However, in any particular case, such recognition will depend upon satisfaction of the Eurosystem eligibility criteria at the relevant time. Investors should make their own assessment as to whether the Notes meet such Eurosystem eligibility criteria.

#### **Minimum Specified Denomination**

In relation to any issue of bearer Notes which has denominations consisting of a minimum Specified Denomination plus one or more higher integral multiples of another smaller amount, it is possible that such Notes may be traded in amounts that are not integral multiples of such minimum Specified Denomination. Any such holding of Notes that is less than the minimum Specified Denomination may be illiquid and difficult to trade. In such a case, a Noteholder who, as a result of trading such amounts, holds an amount which is less than the minimum Specified Denomination in its account with the relevant clearing system at the relevant time may not receive a definitive bearer Note in respect of such holding (should Definitive Notes be printed) and would need to purchase a principal amount of Notes such that its holding amounts to a minimum Specified Denomination.

If Definitive Notes are issued, Noteholders should be aware that Definitive Notes that have a denomination which is not an integral multiple of the minimum Specified Denomination may be illiquid and difficult to trade.

#### Legal investment considerations may restrict certain investments

The investment activities of certain investors are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, or review or regulation by certain authorities. Each potential investor should consult its legal advisers to determine whether and to what extent (1) Notes are legal investments for it, (2) Notes can be used as collateral for various types of borrowing and (3) other restrictions apply to its purchase or pledge of any Notes. Financial institutions should consult their legal advisers or the appropriate regulators to determine the appropriate treatment of Notes under any applicable risk-based capital or similar rules.

#### **Modification**

The conditions of the Notes contain provisions for calling meetings of Noteholders to consider matters affecting their interests generally, including modifying the date of maturity of the Notes or any date for payment of interest thereof, reducing or cancelling the amount of principal or the rate of interest payable in respect of the Notes or altering the currency of payment of the Notes or coupon, and to obtain resolutions in writing on matters relating to the Notes from the Noteholders without calling a meeting. These provisions permit defined majorities to bind all Noteholders including Noteholders who did not attend and vote at the relevant meeting and Noteholders who voted in a manner contrary to the majority or, as the case may be, who did not sign a resolution in writing.

#### The Americas Issuer

The Americas Issuer has limited resources and limited business purpose. The net worth of the Americas Issuer as of the date of its formation was approximately €18,000. The net worth of the Americas Issuer has not increased, and is not expected to increase materially. The ability of the Americas Issuer, with respect to each Series, to make timely payments on the Notes of such Series is entirely dependent on the Guarantor making the related payments in a timely manner. The Americas Issuer is a limited liability company formed on 16 May 2007 under the laws of The Netherlands, the primary business purpose of which is the issuance of Guaranteed Americas Notes and activities incidental thereto.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The following documents, which have previously been published or are published simultaneously with this Base Prospectus and have been approved by the AFM or filed with it, shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and to form part of, this Base Prospectus.

#### The Global Issuer

In respect of Notes issued by the Global Issuer, this Base Prospectus should be read and construed in conjunction with the registration document of the Global Issuer dated 17 May 2016, prepared in accordance with Article 5 of the Prospectus Directive and approved by the AFM (the "Global Issuer Registration Document" or the "ING Bank N.V. Registration Document"), including, for the purpose of clarity, the following items incorporated by reference therein:

- (i) the Articles of Association (*statuten*) of the Global Issuer;
- (ii) the publicly available annual reports of the Global Issuer in respect of the years ended 31 December 2013, 2014 and 2015, including the audited financial statements and auditors' reports in respect of such years; and
- (iii) the press release published by ING Group on 10 May 2016 entitled "ING 1Q16 underlying net result EUR 842 million" (the "Q1 Press Release"). The Q1 Press Release contains, among other things, the consolidated unaudited interim results of ING Group as at, and for the three month period ended, 31 March 2016, as well as information about recent developments during this period in the banking business of ING Group, which is conducted substantially through the Issuer and its consolidated group.

#### The Australian Issuer

In respect of Notes issued by the Australian Issuer, this Base Prospectus should be read and construed in conjunction with the registration document of the Australian Issuer dated 27 June 2016, which has been prepared in accordance with Article 5 of the Prospectus Directive and approved by the AFM (the "Australian Issuer Registration Document"), including, for the purpose of clarity, the Global Issuer Registration Document.

#### The Americas Issuer

In respect of Notes issued by the Americas Issuer, this Base Prospectus should be read and construed in conjunction with the registration document of the Americas Issuer dated 27 June 2016, which has been prepared in accordance with Article 5 of the Prospectus Directive and approved by the AFM (the "Americas Issuer Registration Document" and, together with the Global Issuer Registration Document and the Australian Issuer Registration Document, each a "Registration Document" and together the "Registration Documents"), including, in respect of the Americas Issuer Registration Document, for the purpose of clarity, the following items incorporated by reference therein:

- (i) the Articles of Association (*statuten*) of the Americas Issuer;
- (ii) the publicly available audited financial statements of the Americas Issuer in respect of the years ended 31 December 2013 and 2014, including the independent auditors' reports in respect of such years, which are contained in the financial reports of the Americas Issuer for the relevant periods;
- (iii) the publicly available unaudited and unreviewed interim accounts of the Americas Issuer for the six month period ended 30 June 2015, which are contained in the interim financial report of the Americas Issuer that period; and

#### (iv) the Global Issuer Registration Document.

Any statement contained in a document which is incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purpose of this Base Prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein modifies or supersedes such earlier statement (whether expressly, by implication or otherwise).

With respect to the Q1 Press Release, prospective investors should note that the Global Issuer's consolidated operations, while materially the same, are not identical with the reported financial and statistical information on a segment basis for the banking business of ING Group as described in the Q1 Press Release. ING Group is not responsible for the preparation of this Base Prospectus.

The Global Issuer will provide, without charge, to each person to whom a copy of this Base Prospectus has been delivered in accordance with applicable law, upon the request of such person, a copy of any document which is incorporated herein by reference. Requests for any such document should be directed to the Global Issuer at Foppingadreef 7, 1102 BD Amsterdam, The Netherlands. In addition, this Base Prospectus and any document which is incorporated herein by reference will be made available on the website of ING: <a href="https://www.ingmarkets.com">https://www.ingmarkets.com</a> under the section "Downloads". The Issuers will, in the event of a significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to the information contained in this Base Prospectus which is capable of affecting the assessment of any Notes, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus or publish a new prospectus for use in connection with any subsequent issue of Notes to be admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area or to be offered to the public in the European Economic Area or in Switzerland.

#### OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME

#### **PART 1: INTRODUCTION**

This Base Prospectus replaces and supersedes the base prospectus relating to the Programme dated 29 June 2015 and any supplements thereto. Any Notes issued under the Programme are issued subject to the provisions set out herein. This does not affect any Notes issued prior to the date hereof.

The Notes issued under the Programme by the Global Issuer shall include medium term notes ("Medium Term Notes"). Such Medium Term Notes may constitute, among others, fixed rate notes ("Fixed Rate Notes"), floating rate notes ("Floating Rate Notes"), zero coupon notes ("Zero Coupon Notes"), tailor-made interest notes ("Tailor-Made Interest Notes"), step-up interest notes ("Step-Up Interest Notes"), floater interest notes ("Floater Interest Notes"), floater with lock-in interest notes ("Floater with Lock-In Interest Notes"), reverse floater interest notes ("Reverse Floater Interest Notes"), ratchet floater interest notes ("Ratchet Floater Interest Notes"), switchable (fixed to floating) interest notes ("Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes"), switchable (floating to fixed) interest notes ("Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes"), steepener interest notes ("Steepener Interest Notes"), steepener with lock-in interest notes ("Steepener with Lock-In Interest Notes"), range accrual(rates) interest notes ("Range Accrual(Rates) Interest Notes"), range accrual(spread) interest notes ("Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Notes"), inverse range accrual interest notes ("Inverse Range Accrual Interest Notes"), KO range accrual interest notes ("KO Range Accrual Interest Notes"), dual range accrual interest notes ("Dual Range Accrual Interest Notes"), snowball interest notes ("Snowball Interest Notes"), snowranger interest notes ("SnowRanger Interest Notes"), barrier(rates) interest notes ("Barrier(Rates) Interest Notes"), reference item(inflation) performance linked interest notes ("Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest Notes"), reference item(inflation) indexed interest notes ("Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed Interest Notes"), inflation indexed redemption notes ("Inflation Indexed Redemption Notes"), inflation indexed redemption with floor notes ("Inflation Indexed Redemption with Floor Notes") and instalment notes ("Instalment Notes").

The Notes issued under the Programme by the Australian Issuer shall include Medium Term Notes (which, if targeted at the Australian domestic market, are referred to as "Australian Domestic Notes") and Australian transferable deposits ("Australian Domestic Transferable Deposits", which will only be targeted at the Australian domestic market). Australian Domestic Notes and Australian Domestic Transferable Deposits are together referred to as "Australian Domestic Instruments". All of the Notes (including the Australian Domestic Transferable Deposits) which the Australian Issuer may issue under the Programme are together referred to as "Australian Notes".

The Notes issued under the Programme by the Americas Issuer shall include guaranteed Medium Term Notes ("Guaranteed Americas Notes").

Notes may be issued in unitised form ("Units") and references in this Base Prospectus to Notes shall also include Units. Units shall have an individual issue price instead of a (specified) denomination and where reference in this Base Prospectus is made to a minimum (specified) denomination for Notes, such term shall be deemed to include references to a minimum issue price for Units.

Notes may be denominated in any currency determined by the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer (if any). References herein to an "Issuer" are to the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer, as the case may be, and references herein to the "Issuers" are to the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer together. References herein to "Notes" are to the Notes which may be issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer (including the Australian Domestic

Transferable Deposits which may be issued by the Australian Issuer) under the Programme. References herein to "**Noteholders**" are to holders of Notes. For the avoidance of doubt, in this Base Prospectus, Notes stated to be issued by the Australian Issuer will be issued by the Australian Issuer in its capacity as a branch of ING Bank N.V. and not as the Global Issuer.

Subject as set out herein, the Notes will be subject to such minimum or maximum maturity as may be allowed or required from time to time by the relevant central bank (or equivalent body) or any laws or regulations applicable to the relevant Issuer or the relevant Specified Currency (as defined herein). The maximum aggregate nominal amount of all Notes and obligations from time to time outstanding under the Programme will not exceed €40,000,000,000 (or its equivalent in other currencies calculated as described herein).

None of the Notes will contain any provision that would oblige the Issuers or the Guarantor to gross-up any amounts payable thereunder in the event of any withholding or deduction for or on account of taxes levied in any jurisdiction. The Notes will be issued on a continuing basis by the relevant Issuer to the purchasers thereof, which may include any Dealers appointed under the Programme from time to time, which appointment may be for a specific issue or on an ongoing basis and which may include ING Bank N.V. acting in its capacity as a Dealer and separate from that as an Issuer (each a "Dealer" and together the "Dealers"). The Dealer or Dealers with whom the relevant Issuer agrees or proposes to agree on the issue of any Notes is or are referred to as the "relevant Dealer" in respect of those Notes.

The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer each have a senior debt rating from Standard & Poor's Credit Market Services Europe Limited ("Standard & Poor's"), Moody's Investors Service Ltd. ("Moody's") and Fitch France S.A.S. ("Fitch") and the Americas Issuer has a senior debt rating from Moody's, details of which are contained in the relevant Registration Document. Standard & Poor's, Moody's and Fitch are established in the European Union and are registered under Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 September 2009 on credit rating agencies (as amended from time to time, the "CRA Regulation").

Tranches (as defined herein) of Notes issued under the Programme may be rated or unrated. Where a Tranche of Notes is to be rated, such rating will not necessarily be the same as any ratings assigned to the relevant Issuer, the Programme or any Notes already issued. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to suspension, reduction or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating agency.

Credit ratings are for distribution only to a person (a) who is not a "retail client" within the meaning of section 761G of the Corporations Act 2001 (Commonwealth of Australia) and is also a sophisticated investor, professional investor or other investor in respect of whom disclosure is not required under Parts 6D.2 or 7.9 of the Corporations Act, and (b) who is otherwise permitted to receive credit ratings in accordance with applicable law in any jurisdiction in which the person may be located. Anyone who is not such a person is not entitled to receive the relevant document and anyone who receives the relevant document must not distribute it to any person who is not entitled to receive it.

The Issuers may decide to issue Notes in a form not contemplated by the various terms and conditions of the Notes, as the case may be, herein. In any such case a supplement to this Base Prospectus, if appropriate, will be made available which will describe the form of such Notes.

This Base Prospectus, when read together with the relevant Registration Document, comprises a base prospectus for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive (as implemented in the Dutch Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het financieel toezicht*) and implementing regulations) for the purpose of giving information with regard to (i) the Global Issuer and the Notes to be issued by the Global Issuer, which, according to the particular nature of the Global Issuer and the Notes to be issued by the Global Issuer, is

necessary to enable investors to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position, profit and losses and prospects of the Global Issuer and of the rights attached to the Notes to be issued by the Global Issuer, (ii) the Australian Issuer and the Notes to be issued by the Australian Issuer, which, according to the particular nature of the Australian Issuer and the Notes to be issued by the Australian Issuer, is necessary to enable investors to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position, profit and losses and prospects of the Australian Issuer and of the rights attached to the Notes to be issued by the Australian Issuer and (iii) the Americas Issuer, the Guarantor and the Notes to be issued by the Americas Issuer, is necessary to enable investors to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position, profit and losses and prospects of the Americas Issuer and the Guarantor and of the rights attached to the Notes to be issued by the Americas Issuer and the Guarantor and of the rights attached to the Notes to be issued by the Americas Issuer.

Each Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Base Prospectus relating to it and the Guarantor accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Base Prospectus. To the best of the knowledge of each Issuer and the Guarantor (which have each taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in this Base Prospectus (in the case of each Issuer, as such information relates to it) is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information. The information in "DTC Information - Registered Notes" issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer" has been obtained from DTC. The information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuers are aware and are able to ascertain from DTC, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. In relation to each separate issue of Notes, the issue price and the amount of such Notes will be determined, based on then prevailing market conditions at the time of the issue of the Notes, and will be set out in the applicable Final Terms (as defined below). The Final Terms will be provided to investors and filed with the relevant competent authority for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive (i) when any public offer of Notes is made in the European Economic Area as soon as practicable and in advance of the beginning of the offer and (ii) when admission to trading of Notes on a regulated market in the European Economic Area is sought as soon as practicable and if possible in advance of the admission to trading.

Notice of the aggregate nominal amount of Notes, interest (if any) payable in respect of Notes, the issue price of Notes and any other terms and conditions not contained herein which are applicable to each Tranche of Notes will be set forth in the final terms (the "**Final Terms**") for the particular issue.

Notes may be issued in bearer form and registered form (see "Form of the Notes").

This Base Prospectus is to be read in conjunction with any supplement and any Final Terms hereto and with all documents which are deemed to be incorporated herein by reference (see "Documents Incorporated by Reference"). This Base Prospectus shall be read and construed on the basis that such documents are incorporated into, and form part of, this Base Prospectus.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, none of the Dealers (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding ING Bank N.V. acting in its capacity as an Issuer) accepts any responsibility for the contents of this Base Prospectus or for any other statement made or purported to be made by a Dealer or on its behalf in connection with the Issuers or the issue and offering of any Notes. Each Dealer (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding ING Bank N.V. acting in its capacity as an Issuer) accordingly disclaims all and any liability whether arising in tort or contract or otherwise (save as referred to above) which it might otherwise have in respect of this Base Prospectus or any such statement.

No person has been authorised to give any information or to make any representation not contained in or not consistent with this Base Prospectus or any other information supplied in connection with the Programme and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuers, the Guarantor or any of the Dealers appointed by an Issuer.

Neither this Base Prospectus nor any other information supplied in connection with the Programme (i) is intended to provide the basis of any credit or other evaluation or (ii) should be considered as a recommendation by the Issuers, the Guarantor or any of the Dealers or Arrangers that any recipient of this Base Prospectus or any other information supplied in connection with the Programme should purchase any Notes. Each investor contemplating purchasing any Notes should make its own independent investigation of the financial condition and affairs, and its own appraisal of the creditworthiness, of the relevant Issuer and the Guarantor. Neither this Base Prospectus nor any other information supplied in connection with the Programme or the issue of any Notes constitutes an offer or invitation by or on behalf of the Issuers, the Guarantor or any of the Dealers or Arrangers to any person to subscribe for or to purchase any Notes.

Neither the delivery of this Base Prospectus nor the offering, sale or delivery of any Notes shall in any circumstances imply that the information contained herein concerning the Issuers or the Guarantor is correct at any time subsequent to the date hereof or that any other information supplied in connection with the Programme is correct as of any time subsequent to the date indicated in the document containing the same. The Dealers do not undertake to review the financial condition or affairs of the Issuers or the Guarantor during the life of the Programme. Investors should carefully review and evaluate, *inter alia*, the most recent financial statements of the Global Issuer when deciding whether or not to purchase any Notes.

Other than in (i) Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Portugal and Spain with respect to issues by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer, and (ii) The Netherlands and Luxembourg, with respect to issues by the Americas Issuer, the Issuers, the Guarantor, the Arranger and any Dealer do not represent that this Base Prospectus may be lawfully distributed, or that Notes may be lawfully offered, in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any jurisdiction, or pursuant to an exemption available thereunder, or assume any responsibility for facilitating any such distribution or offering. In particular, no action has been taken by the Issuers, the Guarantor, the Arranger or any Dealer under the Programme which would permit a public offering of the Notes or distribution of this document in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required, other than (if so indicated in the applicable Final Terms), with respect to the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer, in certain Member States of the European Economic Area and Switzerland and, with respect to the Americas Issuer, The Netherlands and Luxembourg, provided that the Americas Issuer will not offer Notes to the public within a Member State of the European Economic Area in circumstances which would require the approval of a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive in relation to that offer. Accordingly, the Notes may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, and neither this Base Prospectus nor any advertisement or other offering material may be distributed or published in any jurisdiction where such offer, sale, distribution and/or publication would be prohibited and each Dealer will be required to represent that all offers and sales by it of Notes will be made on these terms. The Issuers may seek to have an expected issue of Notes admitted to trading on Euronext Amsterdam or, in the case of the Global Issuer, on Euronext Paris on an "as-if-and-whenissued" basis, generally starting three business days preceding the Issue Date until the Issue Date (both the first day of the as-if-and-when-issued-trading and the Issue Date will be specified in the applicable Final Terms). As-if-and-when-issued-trading makes it possible to trade in the Notes listed on Euronext Amsterdam or Euronext Paris before they have been issued. However, prospective investors in Notes should not rely on trading on this basis as a commitment by the relevant Issuer to accept an application to subscribe for Notes to refrain from withdrawing, cancelling or otherwise modifying an offer of Notes.

The distribution of this Base Prospectus and the offer or sale of Notes may be restricted by law in certain jurisdictions. Persons into whose possession this Base Prospectus or any Notes come must inform themselves about, and observe, any such restrictions. See "Subscription and Sale".

Non-Exempt PD Notes may, subject as provided below, be offered in a Member State of the European Economic Area that has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each a "Relevant Member State") in circumstances where there is no exemption from the obligation under the Prospectus Directive to publish a prospectus. Any such offer is referred to in this Base Prospectus as a "Public Offer".

This Base Prospectus has been prepared on a basis that permits offers that are not made within an exemption from the requirement to publish a prospectus under Article 3.2 of the Prospectus Directive in Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Portugal and Spain (together the "Public Offer Jurisdictions"). Any person making or intending to make a Public Offer of Non-Exempt PD Notes in a Public Offer Jurisdiction on the basis of this Base Prospectus must do so only with the relevant Issuer's consent (see "Consent to Use of this Base Prospectus – Consent given in accordance with Article 3.2 of the Prospectus Directive"). Neither the relevant Issuer nor any Dealer has authorised, nor do they authorise, the making of any Public Offer of Notes in circumstances in which an obligation arises for either the relevant Issuer or any Dealer to publish or supplement this Base Prospectus for such offer.

If the relevant Issuer intends to make or authorise any Public Offer of Non-Exempt PD Notes to be made in one or more Relevant Member States other than in a Public Offer Jurisdiction, it will prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus specifying such Relevant Member State(s) and any additional information required by the Prospectus Directive in respect thereof. Such supplement will also set out provisions relating to the relevant Issuer's consent to use this Base Prospectus in connection with any such Public Offer.

The Notes and the guarantee of the Guaranteed Americas Notes have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or with any securities regulatory authority of any state or other jurisdiction of the United States. Accordingly, the Notes may not be offered, sold, pledged or otherwise transferred within the United States or to or for the account or benefit of U.S. persons, except in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act or pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws. Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer may be offered and sold in the United States exclusively to persons reasonably believed by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or the Dealers (if any) to be QIBs (as defined herein), who are also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer qualified purchasers, or placed privately with accredited investors as defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D ("Accredited Investors") under the Securities Act. Each U.S. purchaser of Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer is hereby notified that the offer and sale of any Registered Notes to it may be made in reliance upon the exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A. To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resales of Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer, the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) is required to furnish, upon request of a holder of a Registered Note issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or a prospective purchaser designated by such holder, the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act. Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer are not transferable to other holders within the United States, except upon satisfaction of certain conditions as described under "Subscription and Sale". Certain U.S. tax law requirements may also apply to U.S. holders of the Notes.

The Notes have not been approved or disapproved by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, any state securities commission in the United States or any other U.S. regulatory authority, nor have any of the foregoing authorities passed upon or endorsed the merits of the offering of the Notes or the accuracy or the adequacy of this Base Prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offence in the United States.

No prospectus or other disclosure document (as defined in the Australian Corporations Act) in relation to the Programme or any Notes has been or will be lodged with ASIC. Each Dealer has represented and agreed and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that, unless the applicable Final Terms (or a supplement to this Base Prospectus) otherwise provides, it:

- (a) has not made or invited, and will not make or invite, an offer of the Notes for issue or sale in Australia (including an offer or invitation which is received by a person in Australia); and
- (b) has not distributed or published, and will not distribute or publish, any base prospectus or other offering material or advertisement relating to any Notes in Australia,

unless the offeree or invitee is a "wholesale client" (within the meaning of section 761G of the Australian Corporations Act) and (i) the aggregate consideration payable by each offeree is at least A\$500,000 (or its equivalent in an alternate currency) (disregarding moneys lent by the offeror or its associates) or the offer otherwise does not require disclosure to investors under either Part 6D.2 or Chapter 7 of the Australian Corporations Act, (ii) such action complies with applicable laws and directives (including, without limitation, the financial services licensing requirements of Chapter 7 of the Corporations Act) and (iii) such action does not require any document to be lodged with ASIC.

Section 708(19) of the Australian Corporations Act provides that an offer of debentures for issue or sale does not need disclosure to investors under Part 6D.2 of the Australian Corporations Act if the Issuer is an ADI. As at the date of this Base Prospectus, the Australian Issuer is an ADI.

In addition, each Dealer has agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to agree, that, in relation to any Notes issued by an Issuer, (other than the Australian Issuer), it will comply with the directive issued by the Assistant Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Australia dated 23 September 1996 as contained in Banking (Exemption) Order No. 82 which may require all offers and transfers to be for a consideration of at least A\$500,000. Banking (Exemption) Order No. 82 does not apply to transfers which occur outside Australia.

The Banking (Foreign Exchange) Regulations and other regulations in Australia prohibit payments, transactions and dealings with assets or named individuals or entities subject to international sanctions or associated with terrorism.

This Base Prospectus includes general summaries of certain (i) Austrian, Belgian, Dutch, Finnish, French, German, Italian, Luxembourg, Maltese, Portuguese, Spanish, Swedish and United Kingdom tax considerations relating to an investment in the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer, (ii) Australian tax considerations relating to an investment in the Notes issued by the Australian Issuer, (iii) U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to an investment in the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (see "Taxation") and (iv) Dutch tax considerations relating to an investment in the Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (see "Taxation"). Such summaries may not apply to a particular holder of Notes issued by any of the Issuers. Any potential investor should consult its own tax adviser for more information about the tax consequences of acquiring, owning and disposing of Notes issued by the Issuers in its particular circumstances.

All references in this Base Prospectus to "U.S. dollars", "dollar", "U.S.\$", "\$", "USD" and "U.S. cent." refer to the lawful currency of the United States of America, those to "Japanese Yen", "Yen", "JPY" and "¥" refer to the lawful currency of Japan, those to "euro", "EUR" and "€" refer to the lawful currency introduced at the start of the third stage of European economic and monetary union pursuant to the Treaty establishing the European Community, as amended by the Treaty on European Union, those to "Australian Dollar", "AUD", "AU\$" and "A\$" refer to the lawful currency of Australia, those to "Brazilian Real", "Brazilian Reais" and "BRL" refer to the lawful currency of the Federative Republic of Brazil, those to

"Canadian Dollar", "CAD" and "C\$" refer to the lawful currency of Canada, those to "Czech Koruna" and "CZK" refer to the lawful currency of the Czech Republic, those to "Danish Krone", "DKr" and "DKK" refer to the lawful currency of the Kingdom of Denmark, those to "Hong Kong Dollar", "HK\$" and "HKD" refer to the lawful currency of Hong Kong, those to "Korean Won" and "KRW" are to the lawful currency of the Republic of Korea, those to "Mexican Peso", "MXN" and "MXP" refer to the lawful currency of the United Mexican States, those to "New Zealand Dollar", "NZ\$" and "NZD" refer to the lawful currency of New Zealand, those to "Norwegian Krone", "NKr" and "NOK" refer to the lawful currency of the Kingdom of Norway, those to "Philippine Peso" and "PHP" refer to the lawful currency of the Republic of China, those to "Russian Ruble", "Russian Rouble", "RUR" and "RUB" refer to the lawful currency of the Republic of Singapore, those to "Sterling", "£", "GBP" and "STG" refer to the lawful currency of the United Kingdom, those to "Swedish Krona", "SKr" and "SEK" refer to the lawful currency of the Kingdom of Sweden, those to "Swiss Franc", "Sfr", "CHF" and "SWF" refer to the lawful currency of the Republic of China.

In connection with the issue of any Tranche of Notes, the Issuers or one or more Dealers (in such capacity, the "Stabilising Manager(s)" (or any person acting on behalf of any Stabilising Manager(s)) may, outside Australia and on a market operated outside Australia, over-allot Notes or effect transactions with a view to supporting the market price of the Notes at a level higher than that which might otherwise prevail. However, there is no assurance that the Stabilising Manager(s) (or any person acting on behalf of any Stabilising Manager) will undertake stabilisation action. Any stabilisation action may begin on or after the date on which adequate public disclosure of the final terms (in the case of Notes convertible or exchangeable into shares or into other securities equivalent to shares) or terms (in all other cases) of the offer of the relevant Tranche of Notes is made and, if begun, may be ended at any time, but it must end no later than the earlier of 30 days after the issue date of the relevant Tranche of Notes and 60 days after the date of the allotment of the relevant Tranche of Notes. Any stabilisation action or over-allotment must be conducted by the relevant Stabilising Manager(s) (or any person acting on behalf of any Stabilising Manager(s)) in accordance with all applicable laws and rules.

This Base Prospectus includes or incorporates by reference "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). All statements other than statements of historical fact included or incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus, including, without limitation, those regarding an Issuer's and/or the Guarantor's financial position, business strategy, plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of an Issuer and/or the Guarantor, or industry results, to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements are based on numerous assumptions regarding an Issuer's and/or the Guarantor's present and future business strategies and the environment in which the relevant Issuer and/or the Guarantor will operate in the future. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Base Prospectus or as of such earlier date at which such statements are expressed to be given. The Issuers and the Guarantor expressly disclaim any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement contained herein to reflect any change in an Issuer's and/or the Guarantor's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

# **PART 2: NOTES**

**Programme:** 

The following section is qualified in its entirety by the remainder of this Base Prospectus.

Global Issuance Programme.

	Under this €40,000,000,000 Global Issuance Programme, the Issuers may from time to time issue Notes. These Notes may or may not be listed on a stock exchange.
	The applicable terms of any Notes will be determined by the relevant Issuer and, with respect to issues of Notes for which one or more Dealers are appointed, the relevant Dealer(s) prior to the issue of the Notes. Such terms will be set out in the General Terms and Conditions of the Notes and/or the Inflation Linked Conditions, as applicable, endorsed on, or incorporated by reference into, the Notes, as modified and supplemented by the applicable Final Terms attached to, or endorsed on, or applicable to, such Notes, as more fully described in the "General Terms and Conditions of the Notes" and/or the "Terms and Conditions of the Inflation Linked Notes" section of this Base Prospectus, as applicable.
Size:	Up to €40,000,000,000 (or its equivalent in other currencies calculated as described herein) aggregate nominal amount of Notes outstanding at any time. The Global Issuer may increase the amount of the Programme.
Arranger:	ING Bank N.V.
Dealers:	ING Bank N.V. has been appointed as Dealer under the Programme. One or more other Dealers may be appointed under the Programme in respect of issues of Notes in the future pursuant to the Programme Agreement (as defined in "Subscription and Sale"). The Issuers may also issue Notes directly to purchasers thereof.
Ratings:	Tranches of Notes issued under the Programme may be rated or unrated. Where a Tranche of Notes is rated, such rating will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. Where a Tranche of Notes is rated, such rating will not necessarily be the same as the ratings assigned to the relevant Issuer, the Programme or any Notes already issued. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to suspension, reduction or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating agency.
Distribution:	The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer may from time to time issue PD Notes (which may be Non-Exempt PD Notes or Exempt PD Notes) and Exempt Notes. The Americas Issuer may from time to time issue Exempt PD Notes and Exempt Notes.
	Notes may be issued directly by the Issuers or through one or

more Dealers on a syndicated or non-syndicated basis. The method of distribution of each Tranche will be stated in the applicable Final Terms.

The Global Issuer shall act as Calculation Agent in respect of the Notes unless another entity is so specified in the applicable Final Terms.

**Regulatory Matters:** 

Each issue of Notes denominated in a currency in respect of which particular laws, guidelines, regulations, restrictions or reporting requirements apply will only be issued in circumstances which comply with such laws, guidelines, regulations, restrictions or reporting requirements from time to time (see "Subscription and Sale").

**Selling and Transfer Restrictions:** 

There are selling and transfer restrictions in relation to issues of Notes as described in "Subscription and Sale" below.

Issuing and Principal Paying Agent for issues of Notes (other than Australian Domestic Instruments):

The Bank of New York Mellon, London Branch.

U.S. Paying Agent and Registrar for issues of Notes (other than Australian Domestic Instruments):

The Bank of New York Mellon.

Registrar for issues of Finnish Notes:

Euroclear Finland.

Registrar for issues of Norwegian

VPS AS.

**Notes:** 

**Registrar for issues of Swedish Notes:** Euroclear Sweden AB.

Registrar for issues of Australian

**Domestic Instruments:** 

Austraclear Services Limited.

Currencies: Subject to any applicable legal or regulatory restrictions, any

currency agreed between the relevant Issuer and the relevant

Dealer (if any).

Maturities: Such maturities as may be determined by the relevant Issuer

and the relevant Dealer (if any), subject to such minimum or maximum maturity as may be allowed or required from time to time by the relevant central bank (or equivalent body) or any laws or regulations applicable to the relevant Issuer or the relevant Specified Currency. Save as provided above, the Notes

are not subject to any maximum maturity.

**Issue Price:** Notes may be issued at their nominal amount or at a discount or

premium to their nominal amount.

Form of Notes: The Notes (other than Australian Domestic Instruments) will be

issued in bearer or registered form. Each Tranche of Australian Domestic Instruments will be issued in registered uncertificated (or inscribed) form and will take the form of entries on the Australian Register. The forms of the Notes are described in

further detail in "Form of the Notes".

**Initial Delivery of Notes:** 

On or before the issue date for each Tranche of bearer Notes, if the relevant global Note is an NGN, the global Note will be delivered to a Common Safekeeper for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg. On or before the issue date for each Tranche of bearer Notes, if the relevant global Note is not an NGN, the global Note may (or, in the case of Notes listed on the market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange appearing on the list of regulated markets issued by the European Commission, shall) be deposited with a common depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg or with Clearstream, Frankfurt. Global Notes relating to Notes that are not listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange may also be deposited with any other clearing system or may be delivered outside any clearing system. Registered Notes (including, without limitation, Australian Domestic Instruments) that are to be credited to one or more clearing systems on issue will be registered in the name of nominees or a common nominee for such clearing systems.

**Denomination of Notes:** 

Notes will be issued in such denominations as may be determined by the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer (if any) and as specified in the applicable Final Terms, save that (i) the minimum denomination of each Note will be such as may be allowed or required from time to time by the relevant central bank (or regulatory authority) or any laws or regulations applicable to the relevant Specified Currency and (ii) the Americas Issuer will not offer Notes to the public within a Member State of the European Economic Area in circumstances which would require the approval of a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive in relation to that offer

Notes with a maturity of less than one year:

Notes having a maturity of less than one year will, if the proceeds of the issue are accepted in the United Kingdom, constitute deposits for the purposes of the prohibition on accepting deposits contained in section 19 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, unless they are issued to a limited class of professional investors and have a denomination of at least £100,000 or its equivalent. See "Subscription and Sale".

Taxation; no gross-up:

This Base Prospectus includes general summaries of certain tax considerations relating to an investment in the Notes. See the "Taxation" section of this Base Prospectus. Such summary may not apply to a particular holder of Notes or to a particular issue and does not cover all possible tax considerations. In addition, the tax treatment may change before the maturity, exercise or termination date of Notes. Any potential investor should consult his own tax adviser for more information about the tax consequences of acquiring, owning and disposing of Notes in

its particular circumstances.

The Notes will not contain any provision that would oblige any of the Issuers to gross-up any amounts payable in respect of interest or principal in the event of any withholding or deduction for or on account of taxes levied in any jurisdiction. ING Bank N.V. will not have any obligation to gross-up any amounts payable pursuant to its guarantee in respect of Notes issued by the Americas Issuer. Each of the Issuers may also elect to redeem Notes if they would be required, on the occasion of the next payment due in respect of the Notes, to withhold or account for tax in respect of the Notes.

Unless otherwise stated in the applicable Final Terms, Registered Notes issued pursuant to Rule 144A may be acquired by employee benefit plans that are subject to Title I of the U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), by plans subject to Section 4975 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, (the "Code") and by any entities whose assets are treated as assets of any such plans; provided that such acquisition, holding and disposition of the Notes will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under ERISA or the Code. Each purchaser and transferee of a Note will be deemed to have made certain representations as to its status under ERISA and the Code. See "ERISA and Certain Other U.S. Considerations".

No cross-default provision.

No negative pledge provision.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Notes issued by the Global Issuer will constitute direct, unconditional, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Global Issuer and will rank *pari passu* among themselves and (subject as aforesaid and save for certain debts required to be preferred by law) equally with all other unsecured obligations (other than subordinated obligations, if any) of the Global Issuer from time to time outstanding.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Notes issued by the Australian Issuer will constitute direct, unconditional, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Australian Issuer and will rank *pari passu* among themselves and (save for certain debts required to be preferred by law) equally with all other unsecured obligations (other than subordinated obligations, if any) of the Australian Issuer from time to time outstanding.

The depositor protection provisions contained in Division 2 of Part II of the Australian Banking Act (including, without limitation, Section 13A) do not apply to the Australian Notes. However, claims against the Australian Issuer are subject to

**ERISA Considerations:** 

**Cross-default of Notes:** 

**Negative Pledge:** 

Status of the Notes issued by the Global Issuer:

**Status of Notes issued by the Australian Issuer:** 

Section 11F of the Australian Banking Act which provides that if the Australian Issuer (whether in or outside Australia) suspends payment or is unable to meet its obligations, the assets of the Australian Issuer in Australia are to be available to meet the Australian Issuer's liabilities in Australia in priority to all other liabilities of the Australian Issuer.

Further, under Section 86 of the RBA Act, debts due by an ADI to the Reserve Bank of Australia shall in a winding-up of that ADI have priority over all other debts. The Australian Issuer is an "ADI".

**Status of the Guaranteed Americas Notes issued by the Americas Issuer:** 

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Notes issued by the Americas Issuer will constitute direct, unconditional, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Americas Issuer and will rank *pari passu* among themselves and (save for certain debts required to be preferred by law) equally with all other unsecured obligations (other than subordinated obligations, if any) of the Americas Issuer from time to time outstanding. The Guaranteed Americas Notes do not constitute deposits or deposit-type liabilities of the Global Issuer.

Guarantee relating to Guaranteed Americas Notes:

The Guarantor will unconditionally and irrevocably guarantee the due payment of all sums expressed to be payable by the Americas Issuer under the Guaranteed Americas Notes. Its obligations in that respect are contained in the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee (as defined in "General Terms and Conditions of the Notes").

Bail-In:

Reference is made to the section entitled "Risk Factors – General Risk Factors – Bail-In" in this Base Prospectus, the section entitled "Risk Factors" in the Global Issuer Registration Document (which is incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus), including without limitation under the heading "Bank Recovery and Resolution Regimes", and, in respect of Australian Domestic Instruments, Condition 18 in the "General Terms and Conditions of the Notes" under the heading "Condition relating to the exercise of Dutch Bail-In Power".

Listing:

Notes may be: (i) admitted to trading on Euronext Amsterdam; (ii) admitted to the Official List; (iii) admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange; (iv) (with respect to the Global Issuer only) admitted to trading on Euronext Paris; (v) (with respect to the Global Issuer only) admitted to trading on the Italian Stock Exchange; (vi) admitted to trading on another regulated market as defined under the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive; (vii) admitted to trading on an unregulated market as defined under the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive; or (viii) unlisted and not admitted to trading on any market.

# **Governing Law:**

The applicable Final Terms and the Notes issued by the Issuers will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, English law, except that the Australian Domestic Instruments will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of New South Wales, Australia.

# DESCRIPTION OF THE NOTES, KEY FEATURES OF THE NOTES AND AN EXPLANATION OF HOW THE VALUE OF THE NOTES IS AFFECTED BY THE VALUE OF THE REFERENCE ITEM(S).

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Fixed Rate Notes	Fixed Rate Notes will bear interest at the fixed rate specified in the applicable Final Terms. Interest will be payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date, and will be calculated on the basis of the Day Count Fraction, in each case specified in the applicable Final Terms.  The interest rate payable on Fixed Rate Notes remains constant throughout the life of the Notes and is not subject to variation.
Floating Rate Notes	Floating Rate Notes will bear interest either at a rate determined:
	<ul> <li>(i) on the same basis as the floating rate under a notional interest-rate swap transaction in the relevant Specified Currency governed by an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions (as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., and as amended and updated as at the issue date of the first Tranche of the Notes of the relevant Series); or</li> <li>(ii) on the basis of a reference rate appearing on the agreed screen page of a commercial quotation service.</li> <li>The (positive or negative) margin (if any) relating to such floating rate will be specified in the applicable Final Terms.</li> <li>Interest will be payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date and will be calculated on the basis of the Day Count Fraction, in each case specified in the applicable Final</li> </ul>
	Terms.
Zero Coupon Notes	Zero Coupon Notes will be offered and sold at a discount to their nominal amount or at par. Zero Coupon Notes do not bear interest and an investor will not receive any return on the Notes until redemption.
Tailor-Made Interest Notes	Tailor-Made Interest Notes will bear interest at a floating rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin specified in the applicable Final Terms.
	In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the

multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but, if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes). If the multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but, if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes).

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The margin, the multiplier, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## **Step-Up Interest Notes**

Step-Up Interest Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of interest which increases (or "steps-up") periodically during the life of the Notes.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period (and no "Step-Up"

will apply).

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for the first interest period (or the first interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period (and no "Step-Up" will apply). Thereafter for each interest period the rate of interest payable on the Notes will increase by the "Step-Up" applicable to that interest period.

The amount of the "Step-Up" may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

#### **Floater Interest Notes**

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a floating rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin specified in the applicable Final Terms.

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes). If the multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which

will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes).

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the margin, the multiplier, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## Floater with Lock-In Interest Notes

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a floating rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin specified in the applicable Final Terms.

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the

Notes will be greater than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes). If the multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes).

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

Notwithstanding the above, if the Rate of Interest that would otherwise be payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period exceeds, or equals or exceeds, (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) the rate of interest specified as the "Lock-In" for that interest period, then the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for that interest period and all subsequent interest periods will be the applicable "Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t)".

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the margin, the multiplier, the cap (if applicable), the floor (if applicable) the Lock-In and Rate of Interest(Lock-In) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

# Reverse Floater Interest Notes

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes

will bear interest at a variable rate of interest.

The variable rate of interest is calculated by subtracting from a specified fixed rate of interest (referred to as the "Fix") the underlying rate specified in the applicable Final Terms. Consequently, there is an inverse relationship between the underlying rate and the rate of interest payable on the Notes (meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the rate of interest payable on the Notes decreases and if the underlying rate decreases, the rate of interest payable on the Notes increases, in each case subject to any cap or floor mentioned below).

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes). If the multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes).

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the Fix, the margin, the multiplier, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

#### **Ratchet Floater Interest Notes**

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus (or minus) the margin specified in the applicable Final Terms subject to a "ratchet" feature as described below.

## Ratchet Floor without Cap:

If the applicable Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Floor without Cap" applies then the variable rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period (other than the "Fixed Rate Period" referred to above) will be the higher of (1) the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period (multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier1") plus the "ratchet" percentage that applies to the current interest period and (2) the underlying rate (multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier2") plus the (positive or negative) margin for the current interest period. Consequently, if the underlying rate falls from one interest period to the next, investors will still be entitled to receive a rate of interest on the Notes equal to the rate of interest payable in the previous interest period (multiplied by Multiplier1) plus the ratchet.

# Ratchet Floor with Cap:

If the applicable Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Floor with Cap" applies then the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period will be the higher of (1) the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period (multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier1") plus the "ratchet" percentage that applies to the current interest period and (2) the underlying rate (multiplied by the

percentage specified as "Multiplier2") plus the (positive or negative) margin for the current interest period, provided that the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period will not exceed the "Cap" applicable to that interest period. Consequently, if the underlying rate falls from one interest period to the next, investors will still be entitled to receive a rate of interest on the Notes equal to the rate of interest payable in the previous interest period (multiplied by Multiplier1) plus the ratchet (subject to the rate of interest for any interest period not exceeding the applicable Cap).

## Ratchet Cap without Floor:

If the applicable Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Cap without Floor" applies then the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the first interest period (or for the first interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) will be equal to the underlying rate (multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier2") plus the (positive or negative) margin for that interest period.

For any subsequent interest period the rate of interest will be the lower of (1) the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period (multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier1") plus the "ratchet" percentage that applies to the current interest period and (2) the underlying rate (multiplied by Multiplier2) plus the (positive or negative) margin for the current interest period. Consequently, if the underlying rate increases from one interest period to the next, investors may not receive the full benefit of this increase as the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be subject to a maximum of the rate of interest payable for the previous interest period (multiplied by Multiplier1) plus the ratchet.

## Ratchet Cap with Floor:

If the applicable Final Terms specify that "Ratchet Cap with Floor" applies then the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the first interest period (or for the first interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) will be equal to the underlying rate (multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier2") plus the (positive or negative) margin for that interest period, subject to a minimum of the "Floor".

For any subsequent interest period, the interest rate will be the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period will be the lower of (1) the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period (multiplied by the percentage specified as

"Multiplier1") plus the "ratchet" percentage that applies to the current interest period and (2) the underlying rate (multiplied by Multiplier2) plus the (positive or negative) margin for the current interest period, provided that the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period will not be lower than the "Floor" applicable to that interest period. Consequently, if the underlying rate increases from one interest period to the next, investors may not receive the full benefit of this increase as the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be subject to a maximum of the rate of interest payable for the previous interest period (multiplied by Multiplier1) plus the ratchet (subject to the rate of interest for any interest period not being lower than the applicable Floor).

Where the rate of interest payable on the Notes is to be determined by reference to the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period plus the ratchet, a Multiplier1 is applied to the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period, meaning that the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the Multiplier1 is 100 per cent., the effect of the Multiplier1 will be (if the rate of interest payable on the Notes is to be determined by reference to the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period plus the ratchet) to increase or decrease the rate of interest payable in respect of the current interest period.

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes (regardless of whether "Ratchet Floor without Cap", "Ratchet Floor with Cap", "Ratchet Cap without Floor" or "Ratchet Cap with Floor" is specified for the Notes), a Multiplier2 is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the Multiplier2 is 100 per cent. the effect of the Multiplier2 will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the Multiplier2 is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage decrease in the

underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes). If the Multiplier2 is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes).

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the ratchet, the margin, the Multiplier1, the Multiplier2, the Cap (if applicable) and the Floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes

If the Notes are Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest, but the Issuer has the option to switch the interest rate from the specified fixed rate to a floating rate for future interest periods upon giving Noteholders a minimum number of business days' notice.

If the Issuer exercises its option to switch the rate of interest from the fixed rate to the floating rate then on and after the effective date of the switch, the Notes will bear interest at a floating rate based on the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin specified in the applicable Final Terms.

In calculating the floating rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the underlying rate

decreases, the percentage decrease in the floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes). If the multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes).

The floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum floating rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum floating rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest (payable before any exercise by the Issuer of its option to switch from fixed rate to floating rate), the margin, the multiplier, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes

If the Notes are Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes then the Notes will bear interest at a floating rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus the (positive or negative) margin specified in the applicable Final Terms., but the Issuer has the option to switch the interest rate from the floating rate of interest to a specified fixed rate of interest for future interest periods upon giving Noteholders a minimum number of business days' notice.

If the Issuer exercises its option to switch the rate of interest from the floating rate of interest to the fixed rate of interest then on and after the effective date of the switch, the Notes will bear interest at the specified fixed rate of interest.

In calculating the floating rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes). If the multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage increase in the underlying rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes).

The floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum floating rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The floating rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum floating rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest (payable after any exercise by the Issuer of its option to switch from floating rate to fixed rate), the margin, the multiplier, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable

	Final Terms.
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	Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified
	fixed rate of interest during that period.
	If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no
	"Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has
	ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest
	period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the
	difference (referred to as the "Spread") between two
	underlying rates (referred to as "Underlying Rate1" and
	"Underlying Rate2") specified in the applicable Final
	Terms.
	If Underlying Rate1 exceeds Underlying Rate2 in relation
	to the relevant interest period, the Spread will be a positive
	figure. Conversely, if Underlying Rate1 is lower than
	Underlying Rate2 in relation to the relevant interest period,
	the Spread will be a negative figure.
	In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a
	"multiplier" is applied to the Spread, meaning that the
	Spread is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will
	be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes
	in the Spread. If the multiplier is greater than 100 per
	cent., any positive or negative changes in the Spread will
	be magnified, meaning that if the Spread is positive and
	increases the percentage increase in the rate of interest
	payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the
	percentage increase in the Spread (subject to any cap
	which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the
	Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the Spread is positive but
	decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the
	percentage decrease in the Spread (subject to any floor
	which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of
	interest on the Notes). If the multiplier is less than 100 per
	cent., any positive or negative changes in the Spread wil
	be scaled down, meaning that if the Spread is positive and
	increases the percentage increase in the rate of interest
	payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the
	percentage increase in the Spread (subject to any cap
	which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the
	Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the Spread is positive but
	decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the
	percentage decrease in the Spread (subject to any floor
	which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of

interest on the Notes).

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the margin, the multiplier, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## **Steepener with Lock-In Interest Notes**

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the difference (referred to as the "Spread") between two underlying rates (referred to as "Underlying Rate1" and "Underlying Rate2") specified in the applicable Final Terms.

If Underlying Rate1 exceeds Underlying Rate2 in relation to the relevant interest period, the Spread will be a positive figure. Conversely, if Underlying Rate1 is lower than Underlying Rate2 in relation to the relevant interest period, the Spread will be a negative figure.

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" is applied to the Spread, meaning that the Spread is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the Spread. If the multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the Spread will be magnified, meaning that if the Spread is positive and increases the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage increase in the Spread (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the Spread is positive but decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest

payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage decrease in the Spread (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes). If the multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the Spread will be scaled down, meaning that if the Spread is positive and increases the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage increase in the Spread (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the Spread is positive but decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage decrease in the Spread (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes).

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

Notwithstanding the above, if the Rate of Interest that would otherwise be payable by the Issuer on the Notes for any interest period exceeds, or equals or exceeds, (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) the rate of interest specified as the "Lock-In" for that interest period, then the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for that interest period and all subsequent interest periods will be the applicable "Rate of Interest(Lock-In)".

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the Lock-In, the margin, the multiplier, the cap (if applicable), the floor (if applicable) and the "Rate of Interest (Lock-In)" may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## Range Accrual(Rates) Interest Notes

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes

will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the number of range accrual observation days within the relevant range accrual observation period when the relevant range accrual reference rate was within a specified range.

The variable rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes in respect of any interest period will be calculated as follows:

- 1. First, the number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period on which the range accrual reference rate was within the specified range is calculated, and divided by the total number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period (the resulting fraction being the "Range Accrual Fraction").
- 2. Secondly, the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier1") and the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin1" is multiplied by the Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting rate of interest is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".
- 3. Thirdly, the number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period on which the range accrual reference rate was outside the specified range is calculated and divided by the total number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period (the resulting fraction being the "Inverse Range Accrual Fraction").
- 4. Fourthly, the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier2") and the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin2" is multiplied by the Inverse Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting rate of interest is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".
- The rate of interest payable by the Issuer in respect of the relevant interest period is the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and the Inverse Range Accrual Rate.

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" (being either "Multiplier1" or "Multiplier2") is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the relevant multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of

the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the relevant multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified. If the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the Underlying Margin1, the Underlying Margin2, the Multiplier1, the Multiplier2, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Notes

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest where the margin payable by the Issuer over the underlying rate is calculated based on the number of range accrual observation days within the relevant range accrual observation period when the relevant range accrual reference spread was within a specified range.

The variable rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes in respect of any interest period will be calculated as follows:

1. First, the number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period on which the range accrual reference spread was within the specified range is calculated, and divided by the total number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period (the resulting

- fraction being the "Range Accrual Fraction").
- 2. Secondly, the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier1") and (2) the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin1" is multiplied by the Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting rate of interest is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".
- 3. Thirdly, the number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period on which the range accrual reference spread was outside the specified range is calculated and divided by the total number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period (the resulting fraction being the "Inverse Range Accrual Fraction").
- 4. Fourthly, the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier2") and (2) the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin2" is multiplied by the Inverse Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting rate of interest is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".
- The rate of interest payable by the Issuer in respect of the relevant interest period is the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and the Inverse Range Accrual Rate.

The range accrual reference spread is calculated as the difference between two range accrual reference rates.

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" (being either "Multiplier1" or "Multiplier2") is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the relevant multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the relevant multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified. If the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the Underlying Margin1, the Underlying Margin2, the Multiplier1, the Multiplier2, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## **Inverse Range Accrual Interest Notes**

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the number of range accrual observation days within the relevant range accrual observation period when the relevant range accrual reference rate was within a specified range.

The variable rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes in respect of any interest period will be calculated as follows:

- 1. First, the number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period on which the range accrual reference rate was within the specified range is calculated, and divided by the total number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period (the resulting fraction being the "Range Accrual Fraction").
- 2. Secondly, the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier1") and the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin1" is multiplied by the Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting rate of interest is referred to here as the "Range Accrual Rate".
- 3. Thirdly, the number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period on which the range accrual reference rate was outside the specified range is calculated and divided by the total number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual

- observation period (the resulting fraction being the "Inverse Range Accrual Fraction").
- 4. Fourthly, the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier2") and the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin2" is multiplied by the Inverse Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting rate of interest is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".
- The rate of interest payable by the Issuer in respect of the relevant interest period is the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and the Inverse Range Accrual Rate.

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" (being either "Multiplier1" or "Multiplier2") is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the relevant multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the relevant multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified. If the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the Underlying Margin1, the Underlying Margin2, the Multiplier1, the Multiplier2, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## **KO Range Accrual Interest Notes**

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has

ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest. The variable rate of interest applicable to the Notes for any interest period will depend on whether the relevant range accrual reference rate was within a specified range on every range accrual observation day within the relevant range accrual observation period.

If the relevant range accrual reference rate was within the specified range on every range accrual observation day within the relevant range accrual observation period, the Notes will bear interest for the relevant interest period at a rate equal to the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier1") and (2) the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin1".

If the relevant range accrual reference rate was not within the specified range on every range accrual observation day within the relevant range accrual observation period, the Notes will bear interest for the relevant interest period at a rate equal to the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier2") and (2) the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin2".

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" (being either "Multiplier1" or "Multiplier2") is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. The effect of the relevant multiplier is to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the relevant multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified. If the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the Underlying Margin1, the

# Underlying Margin2, the Multiplier1, the Multiplier2, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms. **Dual Range Accrual Interest Notes** If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period. If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the number of range accrual observation days within the relevant range accrual observation period when both "Range Accrual Reference Factor1" and "Range Accrual Reference Factor2" were within a specified range. The Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) will be the "Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t)" or the "Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t)", where the Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t) is calculated as the difference when the "Range Accrual Reference RateB(t)" is subtracted from the "Range Accrual Reference RateA(t)". The Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) will be either the "Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t)" or the "Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t)" (as specified in the applicable Final Terms), where the Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t) is calculated as the difference when the "Range Accrual Reference RateD(t)" is subtracted from the "Range Accrual Reference RateC(t)". The variable rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes in respect of any interest period will be calculated as follows: 1 First, the number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual period on which both of Range Accrual Reference Factor1 and Range Accrual Reference Factor2 were within the specified range is calculated, and divided by the total number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period (the resulting fraction being the "Range Accrual Fraction"). 2. Secondly, the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier1") and the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin1" is multiplied by the Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting rate of interest is referred to here as the

- "Range Accrual Rate".
- 3. Thirdly, the number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period on which either or both of Range Accrual Reference Factor1 and Range Accrual Reference Factor2 were outside the specified range is calculated and divided by the total number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period (the resulting fraction being the "Inverse Range Accrual Fraction").
- 4. Fourthly, the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier2") and the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin2" is multiplied by the Inverse Range Accrual Fraction. The resulting rate of interest is referred to here as the "Inverse Range Accrual Rate".
- The rate of interest payable by the Issuer in respect of the relevant interest period is the sum of the Range Accrual Rate and the Inverse Range Accrual Rate.

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" (being either "Multiplier1" or "Multiplier2") is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the relevant multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified. If the relevant multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t), the Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t), the Range Accrual

Reference RateA(t), the Range Accrual Reference RateB(t), the Range Accrual Reference RateC(t), the Range Accrual Reference RateD(t), the Underlying Margin1, the Underlying Margin2, the Multiplier1, the Multiplier2, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

#### **Snowball Interest Notes**

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for the first interest period (or for the first interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest. For every subsequent interest period the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest calculated as the sum of (1) the rate of interest applicable to the Notes for the previous interest period (multiplied by the percentage specified as "Multiplier1") plus (2) a rate equal to a specified fixed rate (referred to as "Fix") minus the product of the percentage specified as "Multiplier2" and the underlying rate.

As the underlying rate (multiplied by the Multiplier2) is subtracted from Fix in calculating the variable rate of interest applicable to the Notes, there is an inverse relationship between changes in the underlying rate and the variable rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes.

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a Multiplier2 is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the Multiplier2 is 100 per cent. the effect of the Multiplier2 will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the Multiplier2 is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified. If the Multiplier2 is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down.

In addition, in calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a Multiplier1 is applied to the rate of interest applicable to the Notes for the previous interest period, meaning that the rate of interest applicable to the Notes for the previous interest period is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the Multiplier1 is 100 per cent., the

effect of the Multiplier1 will be to increase or decrease the rate of interest payable in respect of the current interest period.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the margin, the multiplier, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## **SnowRanger Interest Notes**

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the number of range accrual observation days within the relevant range accrual observation period when the relevant range accrual reference rate was within a specified range.

The variable rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes in respect of any interest period will be calculated as follows:

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no Fixed Rate Period then for the first interest period the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will equal the sum of (1) the underlying rate (as multiplied by the percentage specified as the "Multiplier1") and (2) the (positive or negative) margin specified as "Underlying Margin", with such sum multiplied by the Range Accrual Fraction.

If the applicable Final Terms specifies that there is no Fixed Rate Period and the interest period is other than the first interest period, or if the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a Fixed Rate Period but the interest period is the first interest period after the end of the Fixed

Rate Period, then the variable rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will equal the sum of (1) the rate of interest on the Notes for the previous interest period (as multiplied by the percentage specified as the "Multiplier2") and (2) the (positive or negative) margin specified as the "Underlying Margin" (as multiplied by the percentage specified as the "Multiplier1"), with such sum multiplied by the Range Accrual Fraction.

The Range Accrual Fraction is calculated by dividing the number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period on which the range accrual reference rate was within the specified range by the total number of range accrual observation dates in the relevant range accrual observation period.

If, in calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "Multiplier1" is applied to the underlying rate, this means that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the Multiplier1 is 100 per cent. the effect of the Multiplier1 will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the Multiplier1 is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified. If the Multiplier1 is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down.

Where the rate of interest payable on the Notes is to be determined by reference to the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period plus the Underlying Margin2, a Multiplier2 is applied to the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period, meaning that the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the Multiplier2 is 100 per cent., the effect of the Multiplier2 will be (if the rate of interest payable on the Notes is to be determined by reference to the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes for the previous interest period plus the Underlying Margin2) to increase or decrease the rate of interest payable in respect of the current interest period.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes.

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor

represents the minimum ra	ate of	interest	that	the	Issuer	is
required to pay on the Note	es.					

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the Underlying Margin1, Underlying Margin2, the Multiplier1, the Multiplier2, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## **Barrier(Rates) Interest Notes**

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a floating rate of interest based on the underlying rate plus (or minus) the applicable margin.

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "multiplier" is applied to the underlying rate, meaning that the underlying rate is multiplied by a specified percentage.

If the underlying rate does not meet the "Upper Barrier Criterion" specified in the applicable Final Terms, the multiplier to be applied will be the percentage specified to be the "Multiplier(Upper Barrier)", and the (positive or negative) margin will be the percentage specified to be the "Underlying Margin1".

If the underlying rate meets both the "Upper Barrier Criterion" and the "Lower Barrier Criterion" specified in the applicable Final Terms, the multiplier to be applied will be the percentage specified to be the "Multiplier(Barrier)", and the (positive or negative) margin will be the percentage specified to be the "Underlying Margin2".

If the underlying rate does not meet the "Lower Barrier Criterion" specified in the applicable Final Terms, the multiplier to be applied will be the percentage specified to be the "Multiplier(Lower Barrier)", and the (positive or negative) margin will be the percentage specified to be the "Underlying Margin3".

Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate. If the applicable multiplier is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be magnified, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the

Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage increase in the underlying rate but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate. If the applicable multiplier is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the underlying rate will be scaled down, meaning that, if the underlying rate increases, the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage increase in the underlying rate but if the underlying rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage decrease in the underlying rate. The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the Multiplier(Upper Barrier), the Multiplier(Barrier), the Multiplier(Lower Barrier) and the applicable margin may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

# Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest Notes

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will bear interest at a variable rate of interest based on the percentage change in the level of the specified Inflation Index between the level of the Inflation Index in respect of Reference Month(t-1) (or, if the Interest Period(t) is the first Interest Period, the Initial Reference Month) and the level of the Inflation Index for the Reference Month specified as being Reference Month(t) for the relevant interest period and interest payment date, plus the (positive or negative) margins specified as "Underlying Margin1" and "Underlying Margin2".

In calculating the rate of interest payable on the Notes, a "participation" is applied to the performance of the inflation rate, meaning that the percentage change (the "inflation rate") in the level of the Inflation Index between the Reference Month(t-1) and Reference Month(t) is multiplied by a specified percentage. Unless the multiplier is 100 per cent. the effect of the multiplier will be to magnify or diminish any positive or negative changes in the inflation rate. If the participation is greater than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the inflation

rate will be magnified, meaning that if the inflation rate increases the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage increase in the inflation rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the inflation rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be greater than the percentage decrease in the inflation rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes). If the participation is less than 100 per cent., any positive or negative changes in the inflation rate will be scaled down, meaning that if the inflation rate increases the percentage increase in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage increase in the inflation rate (subject to any cap which will limit the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer pays on the Notes) but if the inflation rate decreases, the percentage decrease in the rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes will be lesser than the percentage decrease in the inflation rate (subject to any floor which will require the Issuer to pay a minimum rate of interest on the Notes).

The rate of interest (including for this purpose Underlying Margin1, but excluding Underlying Margin2) payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes (before adding (or subtracting) the Underlying Margin2).

The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes (before adding (or subtracting) the Underlying Margin2).

The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the Underlying Margin1, the Underlying Margin2, the participation, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

## Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed Interest Notes

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is a "Fixed Rate Period" then the Notes will bear interest at a specified fixed rate of interest during that period.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that there is no "Fixed Rate Period" (or if the Fixed Rate Period has

ended) then for each interest period (or for each interest period after the Fixed Rate Period has ended) the Notes will continue to bear interest at a fixed rate of interest, but the fixed rate of interest will be adjusted to take into account changes in the level of the specified Inflation Index between the level of the Inflation Index in respect of the Reference Month specified in the applicable Final Terms as the Initial Reference Month and the level of the Inflation Index for the Reference Month specified as being Reference Month(t) for the relevant interest period and interest payment date. The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a cap. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the cap as being not applicable, the cap represents the maximum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes. The rate of interest payable by the Issuer on the Notes may also be subject to a floor. Unless the applicable Final Terms specify the floor as being not applicable, the floor represents the minimum rate of interest that the Issuer is required to pay on the Notes. The fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer during any Fixed Rate Period, the fixed rate of interest payable by the Issuer as part of the variable rate, the cap (if applicable) and the floor (if applicable) may change from interest period to interest period, and will be as specified in the applicable Final Terms. **Inflation Indexed Redemption Notes** The Final Redemption Amount of the Notes will be their denomination plus the percentage change (which may be positive or negative) in the level of the Inflation Index between the Reference Month specified in the applicable Final Terms as the Initial Reference Month and the Reference Month specified in the applicable Final Terms as the Final Reference Month. The Final Redemption Amount will therefore have a direct relationship with the percentage change in the level of the Inflation Index. If the level of the Inflation Index has risen then this will result in the Final Redemption Amount being higher than the denomination of the Notes. If the level of the Inflation Index has fallen then this will result in the Final Redemption Amount being lower than the denomination of the Notes (meaning that investors would lose some or all of their initial investment). **Inflation Indexed with Floor Redemption Notes** The Final Redemption Amount of the Notes will be based on the denomination of the Notes plus the sum of the percentage change (which may be positive or negative) in the level of the Inflation Index between the Reference

Month specified in the applicable Final Terms as the Initial Reference Month and the Reference Month specified in the applicable Final Terms as the Final Reference Month and the margin specified as "Redemption Margin1" ( the sum of such percentage change in the level of the Inflation Index and Redemption Margin1 being referred to here as the "inflation performance"). The inflation performance may be subject to a cap (referred to as the "Inflation Cap") and/or a floor (referred to as the "Inflation Floor"). In addition, a margin (referred to as "Redemption Margin2") will be added to the inflation performance (after the application of any Inflation Cap or Inflation Floor).

The Final Redemption Amount will therefore have a direct relationship with the percentage change (the "inflation rate") in the level of the Inflation Index (subject to any Inflation Cap and Inflation Floor). If the level of the Inflation Index has risen then this will result in the Final Redemption Amount being higher than the denomination of the Notes (subject to any Inflation Cap and the Redemption Margin1 and Redemption Margin2 being either zero or positive figures). If the level of the Inflation Index has fallen then the Notes will be principal protected to the extent of the Inflation Floor (provided the Redemption Margin1 and Redemption Margin2 are either zero or positive figures).

## CONSENT TO USE OF THIS BASE PROSPECTUS

## Consent given in accordance with Article 3.2 of the Prospectus Directive

In the context of any Public Offer of Notes, the relevant Issuer accepts responsibility, in each of the Public Offer Jurisdictions, for the content of this Base Prospectus in relation to any person (an "**Investor**") who purchases any Notes in a Public Offer made by a Dealer or an Authorised Offeror (as defined below), where that offer is made during the Offer Period (as specified in the applicable Final Terms).

Except in the circumstances described below, the relevant Issuer has not authorised the making of any offer by any offeror and the relevant Issuer has not consented to the use of this Base Prospectus by any other person in connection with any offer of the Notes in any jurisdiction. Any offer made without the consent of the relevant Issuer is unauthorised and neither the relevant Issuer nor, for the avoidance of doubt, any Dealer accepts any responsibility or liability in relation to such offer or for the actions of the persons making any such unauthorised offer. If, in the context of a Public Offer, an Investor is offered Notes by a person which is not an Authorised Offeror, the Investor should check with such person whether anyone is responsible for this Base Prospectus for the purpose of the relevant Public Offer and, if so, who that person is. If an Investor is in any doubt about whether it can rely on this Base Prospectus and/or who is responsible for its contents, the Investor should take legal advice.

#### Consent

The relevant Issuer consents and (in connection with paragraph (D) below) offers to grant its consent to the use of this Base Prospectus (as supplemented at the relevant time, if applicable) in connection with any Public Offer of a Tranche of Notes in the Public Offer Jurisdictions specified in the applicable Final Terms during the Offer Period specified in the applicable Final Terms by:

#### Specific consent

- (A) the Dealer or Managers specified in the applicable Final Terms;
- (B) any financial intermediaries specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (C) any other financial intermediary appointed after the date of the applicable Final Terms and whose name and address are published on the relevant Issuer's website (https://www.ingmarkets.com/en-nl/ing-markets/) and identified as an Authorised Offeror in respect of the relevant Public Offer; and

#### General consent

(D) if General Consent is specified in the applicable Final Terms as applicable, any other financial intermediary which (a) is authorised to make such offers under the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive; and (b) accepts such offer by publishing on its website the following statement (with the information in square brackets duly completed with the relevant information) (the "Acceptance Statement"):

"We, [specify legal name of financial intermediary], refer to the offer of [specify title of Notes] (the "Notes") described in the Final Terms dated [specify date] (the "Final Terms") published by [ING Bank N.V.]/[ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch] (the "Issuer"). In consideration of the Issuer offering to grant its consent to our use of the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) in connection with the offer of the Notes in [Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Portugal and Spain] during the Offer Period in accordance with the Authorised Offeror Terms (as specified in the Base Prospectus), we accept the offer by the Issuer. We confirm that we are authorised under the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive to make, and are using the Base

Prospectus in connection with, the Public Offer accordingly. Terms used herein and otherwise not defined shall have the same meaning as given to such terms in the Base Prospectus."

The "Authorised Offeror Terms", being the terms to which the relevant financial intermediary agrees in connection with using this Base Prospectus, are that the relevant financial intermediary:

- (I) will, and it agrees, represents, warrants and undertakes for the benefit of the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer that it will, at all times in connection with the relevant Public Offer:
  - (a) act in accordance with, and be solely responsible for complying with, all applicable laws, rules, regulations and guidance of any applicable regulatory bodies (the "Rules") from time to time, including, without limitation, Rules relating to both the appropriateness or suitability of any investment in the Non-Exempt PD Notes by any person and disclosure to any potential Investor, and will immediately inform the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer if at any time such financial intermediary becomes aware or suspects that it is or may be in violation of any Rules and takes all appropriate steps to remedy such violation and comply with such Rules in all respects;
  - (b) comply with the restrictions set out under "Subscription and Sale" in this Base Prospectus which would apply as if it were a Dealer;
  - (c) ensure that any fee (and any other commissions or benefits of any kind) received or paid by that financial intermediary in relation to the offer or sale of the Non-Exempt PD Notes does not violate the Rules and, to the extent required by the Rules, is fully and clearly disclosed to Investors or potential Investors;
  - (d) hold all licences, consents, approvals and permissions required in connection with solicitation of interest in, or offers or sales of, the Non-Exempt PD Notes under the Rules;
  - (e) comply with applicable anti-money laundering, anti-bribery, anti-corruption and "know your client" Rules (including, without limitation, taking appropriate steps, in compliance with such Rules, to establish and document the identity of each potential Investor prior to initial investment in any Non-Exempt PD Notes by the Investor), and will not permit any application for Non-Exempt PD Notes in circumstances where the financial intermediary has any suspicions as to the source of the application monies;
  - (f) retain Investor identification records for at least the minimum period required under applicable Rules, and shall, if so requested, make such records available to the relevant Dealer and the relevant Issuer or directly to the appropriate authorities with jurisdiction over the relevant Issuer and/or the relevant Dealer in order to enable the relevant Issuer and/or the relevant Dealer to comply with anti-money laundering, anti-bribery, anti-corruption and "know your client" Rules applying to the relevant Issuer and/or the relevant Dealer;
  - (g) not, directly or indirectly, cause the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer to breach any Rule or subject the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer to any requirement to obtain or make any filing, authorisation or consent in any jurisdiction;
  - (h) immediately give notice to the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer if at any time it becomes aware or suspects that it is or may be in violation of any Rules or the terms of this subparagraph, and takes all appropriate steps to remedy such violation and comply with such Rules and this sub-paragraph in all respects;

- (i) not give any information other than that contained in this Base Prospectus (as may be amended or supplemented by the relevant Issuer from time to time) or make any representation in connection with the offering or sale of, or the solicitation of interest in, the Notes;
- (j) ensure that no holder of Non-Exempt PD Notes or potential Investor in Non-Exempt PD Notes shall become an indirect or direct client of the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer for the purposes of any applicable Rules from time to time, and to the extent that any client obligations are created by the relevant financial intermediary under any applicable Rules, then such financial intermediary shall perform any such obligations so arising;
- (k) co-operate with the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer in providing such information (including, without limitation, documents and records maintained pursuant to paragraph (f) above) upon written request from the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer as is available to such financial intermediary or which is within its power and control from time to time, together with such further assistance as is reasonably requested by the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer:
  - in connection with any request or investigation by the AFM and/or any relevant regulator of competent jurisdiction in relation to the Non-Exempt PD Notes, the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer;
  - (ii) in connection with any complaints received by the relevant Issuer and/or the relevant Dealer relating to the relevant Issuer and/or the relevant Dealer or another Authorised Offeror, including, without limitation, complaints as defined in rules published by the AFM and/or any relevant regulator of competent jurisdiction from time to time; and/or
  - (iii) which the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer may reasonably require from time to time in relation to the Non-Exempt PD Notes and/or as to allow the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer fully to comply within its own legal, tax and regulatory requirements,

in each case, as soon as is reasonably practicable and, in any event, within any time frame set by any such regulator or regulatory process;

- (l) during the primary distribution period of the Non-Exempt PD Notes: (i) not sell the Non-Exempt PD Notes at any price other than the Issue Price specified in the applicable Final Terms (unless otherwise agreed with the relevant Dealer); (ii) not sell the Non-Exempt PD Notes otherwise than for settlement on the Issue Date specified in the applicable Final Terms; (iii) not appoint any sub-distributors (unless otherwise agreed with the relevant Dealer); (iv) not pay any fee or remuneration or commissions or benefits to any third parties in relation to the offering or sale of the Non-Exempt PD Notes (unless otherwise agreed with the relevant Dealer); and (v) comply with such other rules of conduct as may be reasonably required and specified by the relevant Dealer;
- (m) either (i) obtain from each potential Investor an executed application for the Non-Exempt PD Notes or (ii) keep a record of all requests such financial intermediary (x) makes for its discretionary management clients, (y) receives from its advisory clients and (z) receives from its execution-only clients, in each case prior to making any order for the Non-Exempt PD Notes on their behalf, and in each case maintain the same on its files for so long as is required by any applicable Rules;

- (n) comply with the conditions to the consent referred to under "Common conditions to consent"
  below and any further requirements relevant to the Public Offer as specified in the applicable
  Final Terms;
- (o) make available to each potential Investor in the Non-Exempt PD Notes this Base Prospectus (as supplemented as at the relevant time, if applicable), the applicable Final Terms and any applicable information booklet provided by the relevant Issuer for such purpose, and not convey or publish any information that is not contained in or entirely consistent with this Base Prospectus; and
- (p) if it conveys or publishes any communication (other than this Base Prospectus or any other materials provided to such financial intermediary by or on behalf of the relevant Issuer for the purposes of the relevant Public Offer) in connection with the relevant Public Offer, it will ensure that such communication (A) is fair, clear and not misleading and complies with the Rules, (B) states that such financial intermediary has provided such communication independently of the relevant Issuer, that such financial intermediary is solely responsible for such communication and that none of the relevant Issuer nor the relevant Dealer accepts any responsibility for such communication and (C) does not, without the prior written consent of the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer (as applicable), use the legal or publicity names of the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer or any other name, brand or logo registered by an entity within their respective groups or any material over which any such entity retains a proprietary interest, except to describe the relevant Issuer as issuer of the relevant Non-Exempt PD Notes on the basis set out in this Base Prospectus;
- (II) agrees and undertakes to indemnify each of the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer (in each case on behalf of such entity and its respective directors, officers, employees, agents, affiliates and controlling persons) against any losses, liabilities, costs, claims, charges, expenses, actions or demands (including reasonable costs of investigation and any defence raised thereto and counsel's fees and disbursements associated with any such investigation or defence) which any of them may incur or which may be made against any of them arising out of or in relation to, or in connection with, any breach of any of the foregoing agreements, representations, warranties or undertakings by such financial intermediary, including (without limitation) any unauthorised action by such financial intermediary or failure by such financial intermediary to observe any of the above restrictions or requirements or the making by such financial intermediary of any unauthorised representation or the giving or use by it of any information which has not been authorised for such purposes by the relevant Issuer or the relevant Dealer; and

## (III) agrees and accepts that:

- (a) the contract between the relevant Issuer and the financial intermediary formed upon acceptance by the financial intermediary of the relevant Issuer's offer to use this Base Prospectus with its consent in connection with the relevant Public Offer (the "Authorised Offeror Contract"), and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Authorised Offeror Contract, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, English law; and
- (b) the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with the Authorised Offeror Contract (including a dispute relating to any noncontractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Authorised Offeror Contract), and accordingly submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts.

The financial intermediaries referred to in paragraphs (B), (C) and (D) above are together referred to herein as the "Authorised Offerors".

Any Authorised Offeror falling within paragraph (D) above who wishes to use this Base Prospectus in connection with a Public Offer as set out above is required, for the duration of the relevant Offer Period, to publish on its website the Acceptance Statement.

The consent referred to above relates to Offer Periods occurring within 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus.

Any new information with respect to Authorised Offerors unknown at the time of the approval of this Base Prospectus or the filing of the applicable Final Terms will be published and can be found at the relevant Issuer's website (https://www.ingmarkets.com/en-nl/ing-markets/).

#### Common conditions to consent

The conditions to the relevant Issuer's consent are (in addition to the conditions described in paragraph (D) above if Part B of the applicable Final Terms specifies "General Consent" as "Applicable") that such consent:

- (a) is only valid in respect of the relevant Tranche of Non-Exempt PD Notes;
- (b) is only valid during the Offer Period specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (c) only extends to the use of this Base Prospectus to make Public Offers of the relevant Tranche of Non-Exempt PD Notes in one or more of Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Portugal and Spain, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

#### ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN INVESTORS AND AUTHORISED OFFERORS

AN INVESTOR INTENDING TO ACQUIRE OR ACQUIRING ANY NON-EXEMPT PD NOTES IN A PUBLIC OFFER FROM AN AUTHORISED OFFEROR OTHER THAN THE RELEVANT ISSUER WILL DO SO. AND OFFERS AND SALES OF SUCH NON-EXEMPT PD NOTES TO AN INVESTOR BY SUCH AUTHORISED OFFEROR WILL BE MADE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY TERMS AND OTHER ARRANGEMENTS IN PLACE BETWEEN SUCH AUTHORISED OFFEROR AND SUCH INVESTOR, INCLUDING AS TO PRICE, ALLOCATIONS, EXPENSES AND SETTLEMENT ARRANGEMENTS. THE ISSUER WILL NOT BE A PARTY TO ANY SUCH ARRANGEMENTS WITH SUCH INVESTORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PUBLIC OFFER OR SALE OF THE NON-EXEMPT PD NOTES CONCERNED AND, ACCORDINGLY, THIS BASE PROSPECTUS AND ANY FINAL TERMS WILL NOT CONTAIN SUCH INFORMATION. THE INVESTOR MUST LOOK TO THE RELEVANT AUTHORISED OFFEROR AT THE TIME OF SUCH OFFER FOR THE PROVISION OF SUCH INFORMATION AND THE AUTHORISED OFFEROR WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUCH INFORMATION. NEITHER THE RELEVANT ISSUER NOR ANY DEALER (EXCEPT WHERE SUCH DEALER IS THE RELEVANT AUTHORISED OFFEROR) HAS ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR LIABILITY TO AN INVESTOR IN RESPECT OF SUCH INFORMATION.

## **Public Offers: Issue Price and Offer Price**

Non-Exempt PD Notes to be offered pursuant to a Public Offer will be issued by the relevant Issuer at the Issue Price specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Issue Price will be determined by the relevant Issuer in consultation with the relevant Dealer at the time of the relevant Public Offer and will depend, amongst other things, on the interest rate applicable to the Non-Exempt PD Notes and prevailing market conditions at that time. The offer price of such Non-Exempt PD Notes will be the Issue Price or such other price as may be agreed between an Investor and the Authorised Offeror making the offer of the Non-Exempt PD Notes to such Investor. The relevant Issuer will not be party to arrangements between an Investor and an

Authorised Offeror, and the Investor will need to look to the relevant Authorised Offeror to confirm the price
at which such Authorised Offeror is offering the Non-Exempt PD Notes to such Investor.

# NOMINAL AMOUNT OF THE PROGRAMME

This Base Prospectus and any supplement will only be valid for the issue of Notes in an aggregate nominal amount, which, when added to the aggregate nominal amount then outstanding of all Notes previously or simultaneously issued under the Programme, does not exceed €40,000,000,000 or its equivalent in other currencies. For the purpose of calculating the aggregate amount of Notes issued under the Programme from time to time:

- (a) the euro equivalent of Notes denominated in another Specified Currency (as specified in the applicable Final Terms in relation to the Notes) shall be determined, at the discretion of the Global Issuer, as of the date of agreement to issue such Notes (the "Agreement Date") or on the preceding day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business in London, in each case on the basis of the spot rate for the sale of the euro against the purchase of such Specified Currency in the London foreign exchange market quoted by any leading bank selected by the Global Issuer on such date;
- (b) the amount (or, where applicable, the euro equivalent of Inflation Linked Notes (as specified in the applicable Final Terms in relation to the Inflation Linked Notes) shall be calculated (in the case of Inflation Linked Notes not denominated in euro, in the manner specified above) by reference to the original nominal amount of such Inflation Linked Notes; and
- (c) the amount (or, where applicable, the euro equivalent) of Zero Coupon Notes (as specified in the applicable Final Terms in relation to the Notes) and other Notes issued at a discount or premium shall be calculated (in the case of Notes not denominated in euro, in the manner specified above) by reference to the net proceeds received by the relevant Issuer for the relevant issue.

### FORM OF THE NOTES

#### **Notes (other than Australian Domestic Instruments)**

With respect to issues by the Global Issuer, unless otherwise provided in the applicable Final Terms with respect to a particular Series of Notes issued in registered form ("Registered Notes"), the Registered Notes of each Tranche of such Series offered and sold in reliance on Regulation S which will be sold to non-U.S. persons outside the United States, will initially be represented by a permanent global Note in registered form, without interest coupons (the "Reg. S Global Note"). Such Reg. S Global Note will be deposited with a custodian for, and the Reg. S Global Note will be registered in the name of, DTC (or a nominee on its behalf) for the accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg.

The Guaranteed Americas Notes issued in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act will initially be represented by one or more Reg. S Temporary Global Notes, which will be registered in the name of the nominee of, and deposited with a depositary or common depositary for, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg. Subject to the provisions of the applicable Final Terms, on or after the date that is the first day following the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, beneficial interests in each Reg. S Temporary Global Note will be exchangeable for beneficial interests in a permanent Reg. S Global Note.

Subject to the certification requirements discussed below, (i) if a holder of a beneficial interest in the Restricted Global Note (as defined herein) wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Restricted Global Note for an interest in the Reg. S Global Note, or to transfer its interest in such Restricted Global Note to a person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the Reg. S Global Note or (ii) if a holder of a beneficial interest in the Reg. S Global Note deposited with the custodian in the United States wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Reg. S Global Note for an interest in the Restricted Global Note, or to transfer its interest in such Reg. S Global Note to a person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the Restricted Global Note, in either such case such holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of the Registrar in the United States, exchange or cause the exchange, or transfer or cause the transfer of such interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the Restricted Global Note or the Reg. S Global Note, as the case may be, upon compliance with the transfer requirements of the Registrar in the United States and certification to the effect that (a) in the case of the exchange of an interest in a Restricted Global Note for an interest in a Reg. S Global Note, the exchange or transfer of such interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Registered Notes under U.S. law and pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S or (b) in the case of the exchange of an interest in a Reg. S Global Note for an interest in a Restricted Global Note, such exchange or transfer has been made to a person who the transferor reasonably believes to be a qualified institutional buyer ("QIB") (as such term is defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act), who is also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer a qualified purchaser, and is obtaining such beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A.

With respect to issues by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer, in the event that an interest in a Registered Global Note (as defined below) is exchanged for Registered Notes in definitive form, such Registered Notes may be exchanged or transferred for one another only in accordance with such procedures as are substantially consistent with the provisions set out above, including, without limitation, certification requirements intended to ensure that such exchanges or transfers comply with Rule 144A or Regulation S under the Securities Act, as the case may be.

Registered Notes of each Tranche of such Series may be offered and sold by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer in the United States and to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S); provided, however, that so long as such Notes remain "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(3) under the Securities Act, such Registered Notes may only be offered and sold in the United States or to or for the account or benefit of U.S. persons, in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities

Act. Registered Notes of each Tranche sold to U.S. persons in exempt transactions pursuant to Rule 144A will be represented by one or more permanent global Notes in registered form, without interest coupons (each a "Restricted Global Note" and, together with the Reg. S Global Note, the "Registered Global Notes"). Such Restricted Global Note will be deposited with a custodian for, and the Restricted Global Note will be registered in the name of, DTC (or a nominee on its behalf).

Owners of beneficial interests in Registered Global Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer will be entitled or required, as the case may be, under the circumstances described under "General Terms and Conditions of the Notes – Transfer and Exchange of Registered Notes and Replacement of Notes and Coupons", to receive physical delivery of Registered Notes in definitive form. Such Registered Notes will not be issuable in bearer form.

Investors may hold their interest in the Reg. S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organisations which are participants in such systems. Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg will hold interests in a Reg. S Global Note on behalf of their participants through customers' securities accounts in their respective names on the books of the nominee for DTC. Investors may hold their interests in the Restricted Global Note directly through DTC if they are participants in such system, or indirectly through organisations that are participants in such system.

Payments of the principal of, and interest (if any) on, the Registered Global Notes will be made to the nominee for DTC as the registered holder of the Registered Global Notes. None of the Global Issuer, the Americas Issuer, the Agent, any Transfer Agent or the Registrar will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in the Registered Global Notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

Each Tranche of Notes in bearer form will generally be initially represented by a temporary bearer global Note or a permanent bearer global Note as indicated in the applicable Final Terms, in each case without interest coupons or talons, which in either case (i) (if the global Note is stated in the applicable Final Terms to be issued in New Global Note or "NGN" form) will be delivered on or prior to the original issue date of the relevant Tranche to the Common Safekeeper for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, or (ii) (if the global Note is issued in Classic Global Note or "CGN" form) will be deposited on the issue date thereof, in the case of Classic Global Notes, with a common depositary on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, with Clearstream, Frankfurt, with Euroclear Netherlands and/or with any other agreed clearing system (including Euroclear France).

Each Tranche of Notes in bearer form issued in compliance with U.S. Treasury regulations section 1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(D) (or any successor rules in substantially the same form for purposes of section 4701 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("TEFRA D")), initially will be represented by a temporary bearer global Note exchangeable for a permanent bearer global Note or definitive Notes in bearer form upon certification of non-U.S. beneficial ownership as described below.

Depositing the Global Note with the Common Safekeeper does not necessarily mean that the Notes will be recognised as eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and intra-day credit operations by the Eurosystem either upon issue, or at any or all times during their life. Such recognition will depend upon satisfaction of the Eurosystem eligibility criteria.

If a Global Note is a CGN, upon the initial deposit of such Global Note with a common depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg or with Clearstream, Frankfurt or registration of Registered Notes in the name of any nominee for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and delivery of the relative Global Note to such common depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream, Frankfurt will credit

each subscriber with a nominal amount of Notes equal to the nominal amount thereof for which it has subscribed and paid. If a Global Note is an NGN, the nominal amount of the Notes shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg. The records of such clearing system shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of Notes represented by the Global Note and a statement issued by such clearing system at any time shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the relevant clearing system at that time.

Notes that are initially deposited with a common depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg or with Clearstream, Frankfurt may also be credited to the accounts of subscribers with (if indicated in the applicable Final Terms) other clearing systems through direct or indirect accounts with Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg or with Clearstream, Frankfurt held by such other clearing systems. Conversely, Notes that are initially deposited with any other clearing system may similarly be credited to the accounts of subscribers with Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt or other clearing systems.

Whilst any Note is represented by a temporary bearer global Note, payments of principal and interest (if any) due prior to the Exchange Date (as defined below) will be made (against presentation of the temporary bearer global Note if it is in CGN form) only to the extent that certification (in a form to be provided) to the effect that the beneficial owners of such Note are not U.S. persons or persons who have purchased for resale to any U.S. person, as required by U.S. Treasury regulations, has been received by the relevant clearing system(s) and the relevant clearing system(s) has (or have) given a like certification (based on the certifications they have received) to the Agent. Any reference in this section to the relevant clearing system(s) shall mean the clearing and/or settlement system(s) specified in the applicable Final Terms. On and after the date (the "Exchange Date") which is 40 days after the temporary global Note is issued and, in the case of Notes held through Euroclear Netherlands, not more than 90 days after the date on which the temporary bearer global Note is issued, interests in the temporary bearer global Note will be exchangeable (free of charge), upon request as described therein, either for interests in a permanent bearer global Note without interest coupons or talons or, subject to mandatory provisions of applicable laws and regulations, for definitive Notes in bearer form (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) in each case against certification of beneficial ownership as described in the second sentence of this paragraph unless such certification has already been given. If and for so long as any temporary bearer global Note is deposited with Euroclear Netherlands, such applicable laws and regulations shall include the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act (Wet giraal effectenverkeer) and delivery (uitlevering) will only be possible in the limited circumstances prescribed by the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act. The holder of a temporary bearer global Note will not be entitled to collect any payment of interest or principal due on or after the Exchange Date. The Agent shall arrange that, where a further Tranche of Notes in bearer form is issued, the Notes of such Tranche shall be assigned a common code and/or ISIN and/or other relevant code (as the case may be) which are different from the common code and/or ISIN and/or other relevant code assigned to Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series until at least the expiry of the distribution compliance period (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) applicable to the Notes of such Tranche.

With respect to Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer, the applicable Final Terms will specify that a permanent bearer global Note will be exchangeable (free of charge), in whole but not in part, for definitive bearer Notes with, where applicable, interest coupons and talons attached upon either (i) not less than 60 days' written notice from Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Clearstream, Frankfurt and/or Euroclear Netherlands (acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in such permanent bearer global Note) to the Agent as described therein or (ii) only upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event, subject to mandatory provisions of applicable laws and regulations. If and for so long as any permanent bearer global Note is deposited with Euroclear Netherlands, such applicable laws and regulations shall include the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act (Wet giraal effectenverkeer) and

delivery (uitlevering) will only be possible in the limited circumstances prescribed by the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act. For these purposes, "Exchange Event" means that (i) an Event of Default (as defined in Condition 11), has occurred and is continuing, (ii) the relevant Issuer(s) has/have been notified that both Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Clearstream, Frankfurt and/or Euroclear Netherlands have been closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or have announced an intention permanently to cease business or have in fact done so and no successor clearing system is available or (iii) the relevant Issuer(s) would suffer adverse tax consequences in respect of the Notes as a result of a change in the law or regulations (taxation or otherwise) of any jurisdiction which would not be suffered were the Notes in definitive form. The relevant Issuer(s) will promptly give notice to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8, if an Exchange Event occurs. In the event of the occurrence of an Exchange Event, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Clearstream, Frankfurt and/or Euroclear Netherlands (acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in such Permanent Bearer Global Note) may give notice to the Agent requesting exchange. Any such exchange shall occur not later than 45 days after the date of receipt of the first relevant notice by the Agent.

If the global Note in bearer form is a CGN, on or after any due date for exchange, the holder may surrender such global Note or, in the case of a partial exchange, present it for endorsement to or to the order of the Agent. In exchange for any bearer global Note, or the part thereof to be exchanged, the relevant Issuer will (i) in the case of a temporary bearer global Note exchangeable for a permanent bearer global Note, deliver, or procure the delivery of, a permanent bearer global Note in an aggregate nominal amount equal to that of the whole or that part of a temporary bearer global Note that is being exchanged or, in the case of a subsequent exchange, endorse, or procure the endorsement of, a permanent bearer global Note to reflect such exchange or (ii) in the case of a bearer global Note exchangeable for Notes in definitive form, deliver, or procure the delivery of, an equal aggregate nominal amount of duly executed and authenticated Notes in definitive form. If the global Note in bearer form is an NGN, the relevant Issuer will procure that details of such exchange be entered *pro rata* in the records of the relevant clearing system.

Definitive Notes to bearer will be in the standard euro market form. Such Definitive Notes and global Notes will be to bearer.

Payments of principal and interest (if any) on a permanent bearer global Note will be made through the relevant clearing system(s) (in the case of a permanent bearer global Note in CGN form, payments will be made to its bearer against presentation or surrender (as the case may be) of the permanent bearer global Note, and in the case of a permanent bearer global Note in NGN form, payments will be made to or to the order of the Common Safekeeper) without any requirement for certification. If the permanent bearer global Note is in CGN form, a record of each payment so made will be endorsed on such global Note, which endorsement will be *prima facie* evidence that such payment has been made in respect of the Notes. If the permanent bearer global Note is in NGN form, the relevant Issuer shall procure that details of each payment made shall be entered *pro rata* in the records of the relevant clearing system and, in the case of payments of principal, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant clearing system and represented by the Global Note will be reduced accordingly. Each payment so made will discharge the relevant Issuer's obligations in respect thereof. Any failure to make the entries in the records of the relevant clearing system shall not affect such discharge.

If so specified in the applicable Final Terms, a permanent bearer global Note will be exchangeable (free of charge), in whole but not in part, for security printed definitive Notes in bearer form with, where applicable, interest coupons and talons attached upon not less than 60 days' written notice to the Agent as described therein. Global Notes in bearer form and definitive Notes in bearer form will be issued pursuant to the Agency Agreement.

The following legend will appear on all global Notes held in Euroclear Netherlands:

"Notice: This Note is issued for deposit with *Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V.* ("Euroclear Netherlands") at Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Any person being offered this Note for transfer or any other purpose should be aware that theft or fraud is almost certain to be involved".

Any reference in this section "Form of the Notes" to DTC, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Clearstream, Frankfurt shall, whenever the context permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system approved by the relevant Issuer and the relevant Dealer (if any) and specified in the applicable Final Terms but shall not include Euroclear Netherlands.

So long as DTC or its nominee is the holder of a Registered Global Note, DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the absolute owner or holder of the Notes represented by such Registered Global Note for all purposes under the Registered Notes and members of, or participants in, DTC (the "Agent Members"), as well as any other persons on whose behalf such Agent Members may act, will have no rights under a Registered Global Note. Owners of beneficial interests in such Registered Global Note will not be considered to be the owners or holders of any Notes represented by such Registered Global Note.

For so long as any of the Notes are represented by a bearer global Note held on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Clearstream, Frankfurt, each person who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Clearstream, Frankfurt as the holder of a particular nominal amount of such Notes (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream, Frankfurt as to the nominal amount of such Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall, (i) in respect of the giving of any notice under Condition 7(d) or (ii) in respect of any Event of Default (as defined in Condition 11) with respect to issues of such Notes, be entitled to give the notice or make the demand in respect of the nominal amount of such Notes credited to the account of any such person and for such purposes shall be deemed to be a Noteholder. Notes which are represented by a bearer global Note held by a common depositary or Common Safekeeper for Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or by Clearstream, Frankfurt will only be transferable in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream, Frankfurt, as the case may be.

Where a global Note is an NGN, the relevant Issuer shall procure that any exchange, payment, cancellation, exercise of any option or any right under the Notes, as the case may be, shall be entered in the records of the relevant clearing systems and, upon any such entry being made, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by such Global Note shall be adjusted accordingly.

No beneficial owner of an interest in a Registered Global Note will be able to exchange or transfer such interest, except in accordance with the applicable procedures of DTC, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Clearstream, Frankfurt, in each case to the extent applicable.

A Note may be accelerated by the holder thereof in certain circumstances described in Condition 11 (such circumstances being Events of Default). In such circumstances, where any Note is still represented by a bearer global Note and a holder of such Note so represented and credited to its securities account with Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream, Frankfurt gives notice that it wishes to accelerate such Note, unless, within a period of 15 days of the giving of such notice, payment has been made in full of the amount due in accordance with the terms of such bearer global Note, such bearer global Note will become void. At the same time, holders of interests in such bearer global Note credited to their accounts with Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream, Frankfurt will become entitled to proceed directly against the relevant Issuer on the basis of statements of account provided by Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg or by Clearstream, Frankfurt, on and subject to the terms of the relevant Global Note.

In the case of a global Note deposited with Euroclear Netherlands the rights of Noteholders will be exercised subject to and in accordance with the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act (*Wet giraal effectenverkeer*).

In case of Notes which have a denomination consisting of a minimum Specified Denomination plus one or more higher integral multiples of another smaller amount, it is possible that the Notes may be traded in amounts that are not integral multiples of such minimum Specified Denomination. So long as such Notes are represented by a global Note and the relevant clearing system(s) so permit, these Notes will be tradable only in the minimum Specified Denomination increased with integral multiples of such a smaller amount, notwithstanding that Notes in definitive form shall only be issued up to but excluding twice the minimum Specified Denomination.

#### **Australian Domestic Instruments**

Australian Domestic Instruments will be debt obligations of the Australian Issuer owing under the Australian Issuer's deed poll (an "Australian Deed Poll"). Unless otherwise specified in the Final Terms or any applicable supplement to this Base Prospectus, each Tranche of Australian Domestic Instruments will be issued in registered uncertificated (or inscribed) form and will take the form of entries on the Australian Register.

In relation to Australian Domestic Instruments, the expression "Holder" means a person whose name is for the time being entered in the Australian Register as the holder of an Australian Domestic Instrument or, where an Australian Domestic Instrument is owned jointly by one or more persons, the first four persons, but no more than four, whose names appear in the Australian Register as the joint owners of the Australian Domestic Instrument. For the avoidance of doubt, where an Australian Domestic Instrument is entered into the system operated by Austraclear Limited (ABN 94 002 060 773) ("Austraclear") for holding securities and the recording and settling of transactions in those securities between members of that system (the "Austraclear System"), the expression "Holder" (in respect of that Australian Domestic Instrument) means Austraclear as operator of the Austraclear System.

Australian Domestic Instruments will not be serially numbered. Each entry in the Australian Register constitutes a separate and individual acknowledgement to the relevant Holder of the indebtedness of the Australian Issuer to the relevant Holder. The obligations of the Australian Issuer in respect of each Australian Domestic Instrument constitute separate and independent obligations which the Holder to whom those obligations are owed is entitled to enforce without having to join any other Holder or any predecessor in title of a Holder. No certificate or other evidence of title will be issued by or on behalf of the Australian Issuer to evidence title to an Australian Domestic Instrument unless the Australian Issuer determines that certificates should be made available or it is required to do so pursuant to any applicable law or regulation.

Entries in the Australian Register in relation to an Australian Domestic Instrument constitute conclusive evidence that the person so entered is the registered owner of the Australian Domestic Instrument, subject to rectification for fraud or error. No Australian Domestic Instrument will be registered in the name of more than four persons. Australian Domestic Instruments registered in the name of more than one person are held by those persons as joint tenants. Australian Domestic Instruments will be registered by name only without reference to any trusteeship. The person registered in the Australian Register as a holder of an Australian Domestic Instrument will be treated by the Australian Issuer and the Australian Registrar as the absolute owner of that Australian Domestic Instrument and neither the Australian Issuer nor the Australian Registrar will, except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by statute, be obliged to take notice of any other claim to an Australian Domestic Instrument.

Upon a person acquiring title to any Australian Domestic Instrument by virtue of becoming registered as the owner of that Australian Domestic Instrument, all rights and entitlements arising by virtue of the

Australian Deed Poll in respect of that Australian Domestic Instrument vest absolutely in the registered owner of the Australian Domestic Instrument, such that no person who has previously been registered as the owner of the Australian Domestic Instrument has or is entitled to assert against the Australian Issuer or the Australian Registrar or the registered owner of the Australian Domestic Instrument for the time being and from time to time any rights, benefits or entitlements in respect of the Australian Domestic Instrument.

#### **Finnish Notes**

Notes designated as "Finnish Notes" in the applicable Final Terms will be issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the Finnish Act on the Book-Entry System and Clearing Operations (Fin. laki arvo-osuusjärjestelmästä ja selvitystoiminnasta14.12.2012/749, as amended and reenacted from time to time), the Finnish Act on Book-Entry Accounts (Fin. laki arvo-osuustileistä 17.5.1991/827, as amended and re-enacted from time to time) and all other applicable Finnish laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by the Finnish Central Securities Depository (the "Finnish CSD") from time to time (the "Finnish CSD Rules"). No physical global or definitive Notes or certificates will be issued in respect of Finnish Notes and the provisions relating to presentation, surrender or replacement of such physical bearer instruments shall not apply.

Transfers of Finnish Notes and payments of principal, interest (if any) or any other amounts on any Finnish Note will be made through the Finnish CSD in accordance with the Finnish CSD Rules.

A Finnish Issuing Agent will be appointed in accordance with the Finnish CSD Rules.

## **Norwegian Notes**

Notes designated as "Norwegian Notes" in the applicable Final Terms will be issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the Norwegian Securities Registration Act (*Nor. lov 2002-07-05-64 om registrering av finansielle instrumenter*) and all other applicable Norwegian laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by the Norwegian central securities depositary (*Nor: verdipapirregister*) from time to time (the "Norwegian CSD Rules") designated as registrar for the Norwegian Notes in the applicable Final Terms (which is expected to be Verdipapirsentralen ASA) (the "Norwegian CSD"). No physical global or definitive Notes or certificates will be issued in respect of Norwegian Notes and the provisions relating to presentation, surrender or replacement of such physical bearer instruments shall not apply.

Payments of principal, interest (if any) or any other amounts on any Norwegian Note will be made through the Norwegian CSD in accordance with the Norwegian CSD Rules.

#### **Swedish Notes**

Notes designated as "Swedish Notes" in the applicable Final Terms will be issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the Swedish Financial Instruments Accounts Act (Sw. lag (1998:1479) om kontoföring av finansiella instrument) and all other applicable Swedish laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by the Swedish central securities depositary (Sw. central värdepappersförvarare) from time to time (the "Swedish CSD Rules") designated as registrar for the Swedish Notes in the applicable Final Terms (which is expected to be Euroclear Sweden AB) (the "Swedish CSD"). No physical global or definitive Notes or certificates will be issued in respect of Swedish Notes and the provisions relating to presentation, surrender or replacement of such physical bearer instruments shall not apply.

Payments of principal, interest (if any) or any other amounts on any Swedish Note will be made through the Swedish CSD in accordance with the Swedish CSD Rules.

#### **Italian Bonds and Italian Certificates**

Notes designated as "Italian Bonds" and "Italian Certificates" in the applicable Final Terms will be registered in uncertificated book entry form with either an Italian Central Securities Depositary, which is expected to be Monte Titoli S.p.A. ("Monte Titoli"), and/or any additional or alternative clearing system(s) pursuant to the rules of such clearing system(s) specified in the applicable Final Terms. Italian Bonds and Italian Certificates registered in Monte Titoli are negotiable instruments and not subject to any restrictions on free negotiability under Italian law.

Payments of principal, interest and/or any other amount payable in respect of the Italian Bonds and Italian Certificates shall be made through Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, DTC and/or any additional or alternative clearing system(s) approved by the Issuer and the Agent (but excluding Euroclear Netherlands) or to its order for credits to the accounts of the relevant account holders of such clearing system(s) in accordance with the rules of the relevant clearing system(s).

In case of Italian Bonds or Italian Certificates, where Monte Titoli is the relevant clearing system, the ownership of the Italian Bonds or Italian Certificates will be transferred in accordance with dematerialised and book-entry securities regulations contained under the Italian Legislative Decree No. 58 of 24 February 1998, as amended, and the rules of such clearing system. In this case, the person who is for the time being shown in the records of Monte Titoli as the holder of a particular amount of Italian Bonds and/or Italian Certificates (in which regard any certificate, record or other document issued by Monte Titoli as to the amount of such securities standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall (except as otherwise required by law) be treated for all purposes as the holder thereof and as the person entitled to exercise the rights represented thereby notwithstanding any notice to the contrary.

# DTC INFORMATION – REGISTERED NOTES ISSUED BY THE GLOBAL ISSUER AND THE AMERICAS ISSUER

The following section applies to Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer.

DTC will act as securities depositary for the Reg. S Global Notes and the Restricted Global Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer. The Reg. S Global Notes and the Restricted Global Notes will be issued as fully registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. or such other name as may be requested by an authorised representative of DTC. The deposit of Registered Notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Registered Notes; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Registered Notes are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

DTC has advised the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer as follows: DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organised under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds securities that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerised book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organisations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to Registered Notes unless authorised by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Registered Notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Purchases of Registered Notes under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Registered Notes on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Registered Note ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Registered Notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership

interests in Registered Notes, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Registered Notes is discontinued.

Redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments on the Registered Notes will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorised representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detailed information from the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or Agent, on the payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, Agent, or the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as they case may be), subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorised representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of DTC, and Indirect Participants.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Registered Notes may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Registered Notes, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Registered Notes documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Registered Notes may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Registered Notes for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Registered Notes at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, security certificates are required to be printed and delivered. The Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, security certificates will be printed and delivered to individual Noteholders.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from a source that the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as they case may be) believes to be reliable (namely DTC itself). The information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) is aware and are able to ascertain from the relevant source, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

### GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE NOTES

The following, other than this paragraph in italics, are the Terms and Conditions of Notes which will be incorporated by reference into each global Note and which will be incorporated into (or, if permitted by the relevant stock exchange and agreed between the Issuer (which shall mean, in respect of a Tranche of Notes, the Issuer of those Notes), the Guarantor (if the Issuer is the Americas Issuer) and the relevant Dealer (if any), incorporated by reference into) each definitive Note. The applicable Final Terms for this Note are set out in Part A of the Final Terms which will be incorporated into, or attached to, each global Note and definitive Note in the standard euromarket form and which supplement these Terms and Conditions and, in the case of a Tranche of Notes which is neither admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area nor offered in the European Economic Area in circumstances where a prospectus is required to be published under Directive 2003/71/EC (as amended) ("Exempt Notes"), the Final Terms may specify other terms and conditions which shall, to the extent so specified or to the extent inconsistent with these Terms and Conditions, replace or modify the Terms and Conditions for the purposes of this Tranche of Notes.

This Note is one of a series of Notes issued by the issuer specified in the applicable Final Terms, being either ING Bank N.V. (in its capacity as issuer, the "Global Issuer"), ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch (the "Australian Issuer") or ING Americas Issuance B.V. (the "Americas Issuer" and, together with the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer, each an "Issuer" and collectively, the "Issuers", which expression shall include any Substituted Debtor pursuant to Condition 17) pursuant to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) or, in the case of Australian Domestic Instruments (as defined below), pursuant to the Deed Poll (as defined below). References herein to the "Notes" shall be references to the Notes of this Series (as defined below) and shall mean (i) in relation to any Notes represented by a global Note, units of the lowest Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency, (ii) definitive Notes issued in exchange (or part exchange) for a global Note, (iii) any global Note and (iv) any Australian Domestic Instrument. References herein to "Australian Domestic Instruments" shall be references to any Tranche of Notes designated as "Australian Domestic Notes" or "Australian Domestic Transferable Deposits" in sub-paragraph 43 ("Form of Notes") of the applicable Final Terms. References herein to the "Notes" shall also include Notes issued in unitised form ("Units") and the Specified Denomination of a Unit shall be the Issue Price per Unit as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

References herein to "Finnish Notes" shall be references to any Tranche of Notes designated by the Global Issuer as "Finnish Notes" in sub-paragraph 43 ("Form of Notes") of the applicable Final Terms. References herein to "Norwegian Notes" shall be references to any Tranche of Notes designated by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer as "Norwegian Notes" in sub-paragraph 43 ("Form of Notes") of the applicable Final Terms. References herein to "Swedish Notes" shall be references to any Tranche of Notes designated by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer as "Swedish Notes" in sub-paragraph 43 ("Form of Notes") of the applicable Final Terms. Finnish Notes will only be issued by the Global Issuer and Norwegian Notes and Swedish Notes will only be issued by the Global Issuer, any reference to "Finnish Notes" in these Conditions shall be a reference to Notes issued by the Global Issuer only and any reference to "Norwegian Notes" or "Swedish Notes" in these Terms and Conditions (these "Conditions") shall be a reference to Notes issued by the Global Issuer only.

When the Notes qualify as notes which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on the Italian Stock Exchange on the Electronic Bond Market ("MOT") or on any other Italian regulated or unregulated market, all references to the "Notes" shall be deemed to be references to Italian bonds (the "Italian Bonds"). References herein to "Italian Bonds" shall be references to any Tranche of Notes designated by the Global Issuer as "Italian Bonds" in the applicable

Final Terms. Italian Bonds will only be issued by the Global Issuer and any reference to "Italian Bonds" in these Conditions shall be a reference to Notes issued by the Global Issuer only.

When the Notes qualify as "securitised derivatives" (as defined in Article 2.2.19 of the Rules of the Markets Organised and Managed by Borsa Italiana S.p.A.) and/or as "certificates" (as defined in Article 2 Section 1(g) of Consob Regulation No. 11971/1999) to be offered in Italy and/or which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on the Italian Stock Exchange on the market for securitised derivative financial instruments ("SeDeX") or on any other Italian regulated or unregulated market (the SedeX or any other Italian regulated or unregulated market, each an "Italian Market"), all references to "Notes" shall be deemed to be references to Italian certificates (the "Italian Certificates"). References herein to "Italian Certificates" shall be references to any Tranche of Notes designated by the Global Issuer as "Italian Certificates" in the applicable Final Terms. Italian Certificates will only be issued by the Global Issuer and any reference to "Italian Certificates" in these Conditions shall be a reference to Notes issued by the Global Issuer only.

The Notes issued by the Americas Issuer will be guaranteed by ING Bank N.V. (in its capacity as guarantor, the "Guarantor").

The provisions of these Conditions relating to global Notes, Coupons, Talons and Receipts do not apply to Australian Domestic Instruments.

The Notes (other than the Australian Domestic Instruments) and the Receipts and Coupons (each as defined below) have the benefit of an amended and restated agency agreement dated as of 27 June 2016 (as modified, supplemented and/or restated as at the Issue Date, the "Agency Agreement") and made among ING Bank N.V., ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch, ING Americas Issuance B.V., The Bank of New York Mellon, London Branch, as issuing and principal paying agent and agent bank (the "Agent", which expression shall include any successor agent), The Bank of New York Mellon, as Registrar (the "Registrar", which expression shall include any successor registrar) and the other paying agents named therein (together with the Agent, the "Paying Agents", which expression shall include any additional or successor paying agents) and the other transfer agents named therein (together with the Registrar, the "Transfer Agents", which expression shall include any additional or successor transfer agents).

Notes issued by the Americas Issuer and the Coupons relating thereto, also have the benefit of a deed of guarantee (as modified, supplemented and/or restated as at the Issue Date, the "Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee") dated as of 16 May 2007 executed by the Guarantor in relation to the Notes to be issued by the Americas Issuer.

Interest bearing definitive Bearer Notes in standard euromarket form (unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Final Terms) have interest coupons ("Coupons"), if indicated in the Final Terms that the Notes are Instalment Notes, receipts for the payment of instalments of principal ("Receipts") and, if indicated in the applicable Final Terms, talons for further Coupons ("Talons") attached on issue. Any reference herein to Coupons or coupons shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include a reference to Talons or talons. Any reference herein to "Noteholders" shall mean the holders of the Notes and the Receipts relating to such Notes or, in relation to the Italian Bonds, the holders of the Italian Bonds ("Italian Bondholders"), or, in relation to the Italian Certificates, the holders of the Italian Certificates ("Italian Certificateholders"), and shall, in relation to any Notes represented by a global Note, be construed as provided below. Any reference herein to "Couponholders" shall mean the holders of the Coupons, and shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of the Talons. Any holders mentioned above include those having a credit balance in the collective depots held in respect of the Notes by Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. ("Euroclear Netherlands") or one of its participants.

The Finnish Notes will be registered in uncertificated book-entry form with a Finnish Central Securities Depository, which is expected to be Euroclear Finland Oy, Urho Kekkosen katu 5 C, P.O. Box 1110, FIN-00101 Helsinki, Finland ("Euroclear Finland"). Finnish Notes registered in Euroclear Finland are negotiable instruments and not subject to any restrictions on free negotiability under Finnish law.

The Norwegian Notes will be registered in uncertificated book-entry form with a Norwegian Central Securities Depository, which is expected to be VPS ASA, Fred. Olsens gate 1, P.O. Box 4, 0051 Oslo, Norway ("VPS"). Norwegian Notes registered in VPS are negotiable instruments and not subject to any restrictions on free negotiability under Norwegian law.

The Swedish Notes will be registered in uncertificated book-entry form with a Swedish Central Securities Depository, which is expected to be Euroclear Sweden AB, Klarabergsviadukten 63, Box 191, 101 23, Stockholm, Sweden ("Euroclear Sweden"). Swedish Notes registered in Euroclear Sweden are negotiable instruments and not subject to any restrictions on free negotiability under Swedish law.

The Italian Bonds and Italian Certificates will be registered in uncertificated book-entry form with either an Italian central securities depositary, which is expected to be Monte Titoli S.p.A., via Mantegna, 6, 20154 Milan, Italy ("Monte Titoli"), and/or any additional or alternative clearing system(s) pursuant to the rules of such clearing system(s) specified in the applicable Final Terms. Italian Bonds and Italian Certificates registered in Monte Titoli are negotiable instruments and not subject to any restrictions on free negotiability under Italian law.

The Final Terms for this Note attached hereto or applicable hereto or incorporated herein (as the case may be) supplement the Conditions and, in respect of Notes which are neither admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area nor offered in the European Economic Area in circumstances where a prospectus is required to be published under Directive 2003/71/EC (as amended) ("Exempt Notes"), may specify other conditions which shall, to the extent so specified or to the extent inconsistent with these Conditions, replace or modify the Conditions for the purposes of this Note. References herein to the "applicable Final Terms" are to the Final Terms attached hereto or applicable hereto or incorporated herein (as the case may be).

The Australian Domestic Instruments may be either (i) medium term notes ("Australian Domestic Notes") or (ii) transferable deposits ("Australian Domestic Transferable Deposits") and will be issued in registered uncertificated (or inscribed) form. Australian Domestic Instruments will be constituted by the Deed Poll and will take the form of entries on a register to be maintained by the Australian Registrar (as defined below) pursuant to the Australian Registry Services Agreement (as defined below). Australian Domestic Transferable Deposits represent a deposit made with, and accepted by, the Australian Issuer on the Issue Date.

As used herein, "Tranche" means Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing) and "Series" means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which are (i) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (ii) are identical in all respects (including as to listing) except for their respective Issue Dates, Interest Commencement Dates and/or Issue Prices.

Copies of the Agency Agreement, the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee and the Final Terms applicable to this Note may be obtained from and are available for inspection at the specified offices of each of the Agent and the other Paying Agents and from the Issuer, save that Final Terms relating to a Note for which a prospectus is not required to be published in accordance with Directive 2003/71/EC, as amended, to the extent that such amendments have been implemented in the Relevant Member State of the European Economic Area (the "**Prospectus Directive**"), will only be available for inspection by a Noteholder upon such Noteholder producing evidence as to identity satisfactory to the relevant Paying Agent or the Issuer (as the case may be). Requests for such documents from the Global Issuer should be directed to it at Foppingadreef 7, 1102 BD Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Requests for such documents from the Americas

Issuer should be directed to it c/o ING Financial Holdings Corporation, 1325 Avenue of the Americas, New York NY 10019, United States. Requests for such documents from the Australian Issuer should be directed to it at Level 14, 140 Sussex Street, Sydney NSW 2000, Australia. Copies of the Deed Poll and the Australian Registry Services Agreement are available for inspection at the principal office of the Australian Registrar in Sydney. The Noteholders and the Couponholder are deemed to have notice of, and are entitled to the benefit of, all the provisions of the Agency Agreement, the applicable Final Terms and (in the case of Noteholders holding Australian Domestic Instruments) the Deed Poll and the Australian Registry Services Agreement which are binding on them.

ING Bank N.V., either in its capacity as Issuer or Guarantor, shall undertake the duties of calculation agent (the "Calculation Agent") in respect of the Notes unless another entity is so specified as calculation agent in the applicable Final Terms. The expression Calculation Agent shall, in relation to the relevant Notes, include such other specified calculation agent. Words and expressions defined in the Agency Agreement, the Australian Registry Services Agreement or the Deed Poll or used in the applicable Final Terms shall have the same meanings where used in the Conditions unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise stated.

### 1 Form, Denomination and Title

The Notes are in bearer form ("Bearer Notes") or in registered form ("Registered Notes") or, in respect of Finnish Notes, in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the Finnish Act on the Book-Entry System and Clearing Operations (Fin. laki arvo-osuusjärjestelmästä ja selvitystoiminnasta14.12.2012/749, as amended and re-enacted from time to time), in respect of Norwegian Notes, in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the Norwegian Securities Registration Act (Nor. lov 2002-07-05-64 om registrering av finansielle instrumenter) ("Norwegian Notes") or, in respect of Swedish Notes, in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the Swedish Financial Instruments Accounts Act (Sw. lag (1998:1479) om kontoföring av finansiella instrument) ("Swedish Notes"), in the currency in which payment in respect of the Notes is to be made (the "Specified Currency") and in the denomination per Note specified to be applicable to the Notes (the "Specified Denomination"), all as specified Denomination may not be exchanged for Notes of another Specified Denomination.

This Note may be a Note bearing interest on a fixed rate basis ("Fixed Rate Note"), a Note bearing interest on a floating rate basis ("Floating Rate Note"), a Note issued on a non-interest bearing basis ("Zero Coupon Note"), a Note in respect of which interest is determined on another basis ("Variable Interest Rate Note"), a Note bearing interest linked to an inflation index ("Inflation Linked Note") or a combination of any of the foregoing, depending upon the Interest Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms.

Definitive Bearer Notes are issued with Coupons attached, unless they are Zero Coupon Notes, in which case references to Coupons and Couponholders in the Conditions are not applicable. Definitive Bearer Notes which are Instalment Notes shall be issued with one or more Receipts attached.

Subject as set out below, title to the Bearer Notes, Receipts and Coupons will pass by delivery and title to the Registered Notes and will pass upon registration of transfers in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement. For Notes held by Euroclear Netherlands deliveries will be made in accordance with the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act (*Wet giraal effectenverkeer*). Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulations, the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Agent, the Replacement Agent (as defined in the Agency Agreement), the Registrar, any Transfer Agent and any Paying Agent may deem and treat the bearer of any Bearer Note, Receipt or Coupon and the registered holder of any Registered Note as the absolute owner thereof (whether or not overdue and notwithstanding any notice of

ownership or writing thereon or notice of any previous loss or theft thereof) for all purposes but, in the case of any global Note, without prejudice to the provisions set out in the succeeding paragraph.

For so long as any of the Notes are represented by a global Bearer Note held on behalf of Euroclear Bank SA/NV ("Euroclear") and/or Clearstream Banking S.A. ("Clearstream, Luxembourg") and/or Clearstream Banking AG, Eschborn ("Clearstream, Frankfurt"), each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream, Frankfurt) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream, Frankfurt as the holder of a particular nominal amount of such Notes (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream. Frankfurt as to the nominal amount of Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, save in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Replacement Agent, any Transfer Agent, the Registrar, the Agent and any Paying Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on the Notes, for which purpose the bearer of the relevant global Note shall be treated by the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Replacement Agent, any Transfer Agent, the Registrar, the Agent and any Paying Agent as the holder of such Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant global Note (and the expressions "Noteholder" and "holder of Notes" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly and these expressions shall include persons having a credit balance in the collective depots in respect of the Notes held by Euroclear Netherlands or one of its participants). Notes which are represented by a global Note held by a common depositary or common safekeeper for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or by Clearstream, Frankfurt will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream, Frankfurt, as the case may be. Notes which are represented by a global Note held by Euroclear Netherlands will be delivered in accordance with the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act.

In case of Italian Bonds or Italian Certificates, where Monte Titoli is the relevant clearing system, the ownership of the Italian Bonds or Italian Certificates will be transferred in accordance with dematerialised and book-entry securities regulations contained under the Italian Legislative Decree No 58 of 24 February 1998, as amended, and the rules of such clearing system. In this case, the person who is for the time being shown in the records of Monte Titoli as the holder of a particular amount of Italian Bonds and/or Italian Certificates (in which regard any certificate, record or other document issued by Monte Titoli as to the amount of such securities standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, save in the case of manifest error) shall (except as otherwise required by law) be treated for all purposes as the holder thereof and as the person entitled to exercise the rights represented thereby notwithstanding any notice to the contrary.

For so long as The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") or its nominee is the registered holder of any Registered Global Notes, DTC or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the absolute owner or holder of the Registered Notes represented by such registered global Note for all purposes and members of, or participants in, DTC (the "Agent Members"), as well as any other person on whose behalf the Agent Members may act will have no rights under a registered global Note. Owners of beneficial interests in a registered global Note will not be considered to be the owners or holders of any Registered Notes.

References to Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt and/or DTC shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system (which may include Monte Titoli) approved by the Issuer and the Agent but shall not include Euroclear Netherlands.

If the Notes are represented by a permanent global note in bearer form without coupons (the "Permanent Bearer Global Note") deposited in custody with Euroclear Netherlands, they will be subject to, and rights in respect of them will be exercised in accordance with, the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act.

Rights in respect of the Notes represented by the Permanent Bearer Global Note take the form of coownership rights (aandelen) in the collective depots (verzameldepots as referred to in the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act) of the Notes with participants of Euroclear Netherlands (aangesloten instellingen according to the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act) ("Participants"). The co-ownership rights with respect to the Notes will be credited to the account of the Noteholder with such Participant. A holder of co-ownership rights in respect of the Notes will be referred to hereinafter as a "Noteholder" or a "holder of a Note".

Unless the applicable Final Terms specify that the Permanent Bearer Global Note will be exchangeable upon notice, the right to demand delivery (*uitlevering*) under the Dutch Securities Giro Transfer Act is excluded.

The Finnish Notes shall be regarded as Registered Notes for the purposes of these Conditions, save to the extent the Conditions are inconsistent with Finnish laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by the Finnish Central Securities Depositary from time to time (the "Finnish CSD Rules") designated as registrar for the Finnish Notes in the applicable Final Terms (which is expected to be Euroclear Finland) (the "Finnish Registrar"). No physical notes or certificates will be issued in respect of Finnish Notes and the provisions relating to presentation, surrender or replacement of such bearer instruments shall not apply. In respect of Finnish Notes, "Noteholder" and "holder" means the person in whose name a Finnish Note is registered in the Register and the reference to a person in whose name a Finnish Note is registered shall also include any person duly authorised to act as a nominee and registered for the Notes. In respect of Finnish Notes, the "Register" means the register maintained by the Finnish Registrar on behalf of the Global Issuer in accordance with the Finnish CSD Rules and title to Finnish Notes shall pass by registration in the Register. Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the holder (as defined above) of any Finnish Note shall be deemed to be and may be treated as its absolute owner for all purposes, whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or an interest in it and no person shall be liable for so treating the holder. The Global Issuer and its agents shall be entitled to obtain information on holders of the Finnish Notes from the Register.

The Norwegian Notes shall be regarded as Registered Notes for the purposes of these Conditions, save to the extent the Conditions are inconsistent with Norwegian laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by the Norwegian central securities depositary from time to time (the "Norwegian CSD Rules") designated as registrar for the Norwegian Notes in the applicable Final Terms (which is expected to be VPS AS) (the "Norwegian Registrar"). No physical notes or certificates will be issued in respect of Norwegian Notes and the provisions relating to presentation, surrender or replacement of such bearer instruments shall not apply. In respect of Norwegian Notes, "Noteholder" and "holder" means the person in whose name a Norwegian Note is registered in the Register, and the reference to a person in whose name a Norwegian Note is registered shall include also any person duly authorised to act as a nominee (Nor. forvalter) on behalf of the beneficial owner of the Notes. In respect of Norwegian Notes the "Register" means the register maintained by the Norwegian Registrar on behalf of the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer in accordance with the Norwegian CSD Rules and title to Norwegian Notes shall pass by registration in the Register. Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the holder (as defined above) of any Norwegian Note shall be deemed to be and may be treated as its absolute owner for all purposes, whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or an interest in it and no person shall be liable for so treating the holder. The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer shall be entitled to obtain information from the Register in accordance with Norwegian laws and regulations, and the Norwegian CSD Rules.

The Swedish Notes shall be regarded as Registered Notes for the purposes of these Conditions, save to the extent the Conditions are inconsistent with Swedish laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by the Swedish central securities depositary from time to time (the "Swedish CSD Rules")

designated as registrar (Sw. central värdepappersförvarare) for the Swedish Notes in the applicable Final Terms (which is expected to be Euroclear Sweden AB) (the "Swedish Registrar"). No physical notes or certificates will be issued in respect of Swedish Notes and the provisions relating to presentation, surrender or replacement of such bearer instruments shall not apply. In respect of Swedish Notes, "Noteholder" and "holder" means the person in whose name a Swedish Note is registered in the Register and the reference to a person in whose name a Swedish Note is registered shall include also any person duly authorised to act as a nominee (Sw. förvaltare) and registered for the Notes. In respect of Swedish Notes the "Register" means the register maintained by the Swedish Registrar on behalf of the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer in accordance with the Swedish CSD Rules and title to Swedish Notes shall pass by registration in the Register. Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the holder (as defined above) of any Swedish Note shall be deemed to be and may be treated as its absolute owner for all purposes, whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or an interest in it and no person shall be liable for so treating the holder. The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer shall be entitled to obtain information from the Register in accordance with the Swedish CSD Rules.

In the case of Australian Domestic Instruments, the following provisions shall apply in lieu of any provisions of these Conditions which are inconsistent with the following provisions. Australian Domestic Instruments will be debt obligations of the Australian Issuer owing under the Australian Issuer's Deed Poll (the "Deed Poll") and will take the form of entries in a register (the "Australian Register") to be established and maintained by Austraclear Services Limited (ABN 28 003 284 419) (the "Australian Registrar") in Sydney unless otherwise agreed with the Australian Registrar. In relation to Australian Domestic Instruments, the expression "Noteholder" means a person whose name is for the time being entered in the Australian Register as the holder of an Australian Domestic Instrument or, where an Australian Domestic Instrument is owned jointly by one or more persons, the first four persons, but no more than four, whose names appear in the Australian Register as the joint owners of the Australian Domestic Instrument. For the avoidance of doubt, where an Australian Domestic Instrument is entered into the Austraclear System, the expression "Noteholder" (in respect of that Australian Domestic Instrument) means Austraclear as operator of the Austraclear System.

Australian Domestic Instruments will not be serially numbered. Each entry in the Australian Register constitutes a separate and individual acknowledgement to the relevant Noteholder of the indebtedness of the Australian Issuer to the relevant Noteholder. The obligations of the Australian Issuer in respect of each Australian Domestic Instrument constitute separate and independent obligations which the Noteholder to whom those obligations are owed is entitled to enforce without having to join any other Noteholder or any predecessor in title of a Noteholder. No certificate or other evidence of title will be issued by or on behalf of the Australian Issuer to evidence title to an Australian Domestic Instrument unless the Australian Issuer determines that certificates should be made available or it is required to do so pursuant to any applicable law or regulation.

Entries in the Australian Register in relation to an Australian Domestic Instrument constitute conclusive evidence that the person so entered is the registered owner of the Australian Domestic Instrument, subject to rectification for fraud or error. No Australian Domestic Instrument will be registered in the name of more than four persons. Australian Domestic Instruments registered in the name of more than one person are held by those persons as joint tenants. Australian Domestic Instruments will be registered by name only without reference to any trusteeship. The person registered in the Australian Register as a holder of an Australian Domestic Instrument will be treated by the Australian Issuer and the Australian Registrar as the absolute owner of that Australian Domestic Instrument and neither the Australian Issuer nor the Australian Registrar will, except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by statute, be obliged to take notice of any other claim to an Australian Domestic Instrument.

Upon a person acquiring title to any Australian Domestic Instrument by virtue of becoming registered as the owner of that Australian Domestic Instrument, all rights and entitlements arising by virtue of the Deed Poll in respect of that Australian Domestic Instrument vest absolutely in the registered owner of the Australian Domestic Instrument, such that no person who has previously been registered as the owner of the Australian Domestic Instrument has or is entitled to assert against the Australian Issuer or the Australian Registrar or the registered owner of the Australian Domestic Instrument for the time being and from time to time any rights, benefits or entitlements in respect of the Australian Domestic Instrument.

Australian Domestic Instruments may be transferred in whole but not in part. Australian Domestic Instruments will be transferred by duly completed and (if applicable) stamped transfer and acceptance forms in the form specified by, and obtainable from, the Australian Registrar or by any other manner approved by the Australian Issuer and the Australian Registrar. Australian Domestic Instruments entered in the Austraclear System (as defined below) will be transferable only in accordance with the Austraclear Regulations (as defined below).

Unless the Australian Domestic Instruments are lodged in the Austraclear System, application for the transfer of Australian Domestic Instruments must be made by the lodgement of a transfer and acceptance form with the Australian Registrar. Each transfer and acceptance form must be accompanied by such evidence (if any) as the Australian Registrar may require to prove the title of the transferor or the transferor's right to transfer the Australian Domestic Instruments and must be signed by both the transferor and the transferee.

The transferor of an Australian Domestic Instrument is deemed to remain the Noteholder of that Australian Domestic Instrument until the name of the transferee is entered in the Australian Register in respect of that Australian Domestic Instrument. Transfers will not be registered later than eight days prior to the Maturity Date of the Australian Domestic Instrument.

Australian Domestic Instruments may only be transferred within, to or from Australia if (a) the aggregate consideration payable by the transferee at the time of transfer is at least A\$500,000 (disregarding moneys lent by the transferor or its associates) or the offer or invitation giving rise to the transfer otherwise does not require disclosure to investors in accordance with Part 6D.2 or Chapter 7 of the Corporations Act 2001 of the Commonwealth of Australia, (b) the transfer is in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and directives (including, without limitation, in the case of a transfer to or from Australia, the laws of the jurisdiction in which the transfer takes place) and (c) in the case of a transfer between persons outside Australia, if a transfer and acceptance form is signed outside Australia. A transfer to an unincorporated association is not permitted.

Transfers will be registered without charge provided taxes, duties or other governmental charges (if any) imposed in relation to the transfer have been paid.

A person becoming entitled to an Australian Domestic Instrument as a consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a Noteholder or of a vesting order or a person administering the estate of a Noteholder may, upon producing such evidence as to that entitlement or status as the Australian Registrar considers sufficient, transfer the Australian Domestic Instrument or, if so entitled, become registered as the holder of the Australian Domestic Instrument.

Where the transferor executes a transfer of less than all Australian Domestic Instruments registered in its name, and the specific Australian Domestic Instruments to be transferred are not identified, the Australian Registrar may register the transfer in respect of such of the Australian Domestic Instruments registered in the name of the transferor as the Australian Registrar thinks fit, provided the aggregate principal amount of the Australian Domestic Instruments registered as having been transferred equals the aggregate principal amount of the Australian Domestic Instruments expressed to be transferred in the transfer.

If Austraclear Services Limited (ABN 28 003 284 419) is the Australian Registrar and the Australian Domestic Instruments are lodged in the Austraclear System, despite any other provision of these Conditions, the Australian Domestic Instruments are not transferable on the Australian Register, and the Australian Issuer may not, and must procure that the Australian Registrar does not, register any transfer of the Australian Domestic Instruments issued by it and no member of the Austraclear System has the right to request any registration of any transfer of such Australian Domestic Instruments, except:

- (a) in the case of any repurchase, redemption or cancellation (whether on or before the Maturity Date of the Australian Domestic Instruments) of such Australian Domestic Instruments, a transfer of the relevant Australian Domestic Instruments from Austraclear to the Australian Issuer may be entered in the Australian Register; and
- (b) if Austraclear exercises any power it may have under the Austraclear Regulations or these Conditions to require the relevant Australian Domestic Instruments to be transferred on the Australian Register to a member of the Austraclear System, the relevant Australian Domestic Instruments may be transferred on the Australian Register from Austraclear to the member of the Austraclear System.

In either of these cases, the relevant Australian Domestic Instruments will cease to be held in the Austraclear System.

Where Austraclear is recorded in the Australian Register as the holder of an Australian Domestic Instrument, each person in whose Security Record (as defined in the Austraclear Regulations) an Australian Domestic Instrument is recorded is deemed to acknowledge in favour of the Australian Registrar and Austraclear that:

- (a) the Australian Registrar's decision to act as the Australian Registrar of that Australian Domestic Instrument does not constitute a recommendation or endorsement by the Australian Registrar or Austraclear in relation to that Australian Domestic Instrument, but only indicates that the holding of such Australian Domestic Instrument is considered by the Australian Registrar to be compatible with the performance by it of its obligations as Australian Registrar under the Australian Registry Services Agreement; and
- (b) the holder of the Australian Domestic Instrument does not rely on any fact, matter or circumstance contrary to paragraph (a) above.

In this Condition 1:

"Austraclear" means Austraclear Limited (ABN 94 002 060 773).

"Austraclear Regulations" means the rules and regulations established by Austraclear (as amended or replaced from time to time) to govern the use of the Austraclear System.

"Austraclear System" means the system operated by Austraclear for holding securities and the electronic recording and settling of transactions in those securities between members of that system.

# 2 Status of the Notes; status of the Notes and the Guarantee

# (a) Status of Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

The Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons are direct, unconditional, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and (save for certain debts required to be preferred by law) equally with all other unsecured obligations (other than subordinated obligations, if any) of the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer, as the case may be, from time to time outstanding.

The depositor protection provisions contained in Division 2 of Part II of the Banking Act 1959 of Australia (including, without limitation, Section 13A) do not apply to Australian Domestic Instruments. However, claims against ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch are subject to Section 11F of the Banking Act 1959 of Australia which provides that, if ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch (whether in or outside Australia) suspends payment or is unable to meet its obligations, the assets of ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch in Australia are to be available to meet ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch's liabilities in Australia in priority to all other liabilities of ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch. Further, under Section 86 of the Reserve Bank Act 1959 of Australia, debts due by an "ADI" to the Reserve Bank of Australia shall in a winding-up of that ADI have, priority over all other debts. ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch is an "ADI".

# (b) Status of Notes issued by the Americas Issuer and the Guarantee

The Notes issued by the Americas Issuer and the relative Coupons are direct, unconditional, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Americas Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and (save for certain debts required to be preferred by law) equally with all other unsecured obligations (other than subordinated obligations, if any) of the Americas Issuer from time to time outstanding.

The Guarantor has unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed the due payment of all sums expressed to be payable by the Americas Issuer under the Notes and Coupons. Its obligations in that respect are contained in the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee.

The payment obligations of the Guarantor under the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee rank *pari* passu among themselves and (save for certain debts required to be preferred by law) equally with all other unsecured obligations (other than subordinated obligations, if any) of the Guarantor from time to time outstanding. The Notes do not constitute deposits or deposit-type liabilities of the Guarantor.

In respect of Condition 2, reference is made to bail-in as referred to in the section entitled "Risk Factors — General Risk Factors" in the Base Prospectus relating to the Notes under the heading "Bail-In", and as more fully described in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in the ING Bank N.V. Registration Document which is incorporated by reference into the Base Prospectus relating to the Notes, including without limitation under the heading "Bank Recovery and Resolution Regimes".

#### 3 Interest

# (a) Interest on Fixed Rate Notes

Each Fixed Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date at the rate(s) per annum equal to the Rate(s) of Interest so specified payable in arrear on the Interest Payment Date(s) in each year up to (and including) the Maturity Date.

Except as provided in the applicable Final Terms, and subject to the immediately following paragraph, the amount of interest payable on each Interest Payment Date in respect of the Fixed Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such date will amount to the Fixed Coupon Amount. Payments of interest on any Interest Payment Date will, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, amount to the Broken Amount so specified. As used in these Conditions, "Fixed Interest Period" means the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date.

If "Interest Amount Adjustment" is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms, (a) any Interest Payment Date otherwise falling on a day which is not a Business Day (as defined in Condition

3(b) below) will be postponed or brought forward (as applicable) in accordance with the Business Day Convention set out in the applicable Final Terms (as described below) and (b) the amount of interest payable on such Interest Payment Date will be adjusted accordingly and the provisions of paragraphs (vi) (excluding the determination and notification of the Rate of Interest) and (vii) of Condition 3(b) below shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, as though references to "Floating Rate Notes" were to "Fixed Rate Notes" and references to "Interest Amounts" were to amounts of interest payable in respect of Fixed Rate Notes.

If "Interest Amount Adjustment" is specified as not to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms, and assuming a Business Day Convention has been specified, any Interest Payment Date otherwise falling on a day which is not a Business Day will be postponed or brought forward (as applicable) in accordance with the Business Day Convention set out in the applicable Final Terms (as described below) and there will be no corresponding adjustment of the amount of interest payable on such Interest Payment Date.

If interest is required to be calculated for a period other than a Fixed Interest Period, such interest shall be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest to each Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms), multiplying the resulting sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. If a Calculation Amount is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the amount of interest payable in respect of a Note shall be calculated by multiplying the amount of interest (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount by the amount by which the Calculation Amount must be multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination of such Note without any further rounding. If, however, the applicable Final Terms specify that Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable, then, if interest is required to be calculated for a period other than a Fixed Interest Period, such interest shall be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest to the outstanding aggregate nominal amount of the relevant series of Notes, multiplying the resulting sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, dividing the resultant figure by the number of such Notes, and rounding the resultant figure(s) down to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency.

In this Condition 3(a), "**Day Count Fraction**" shall have the meaning set out in Condition 3(b)(vi) below, with references to "Floating Rate Notes" being to "Fixed Rate Notes" and references to "Interest Periods" being to "Fixed Interest Periods".

#### In these Conditions:

"**Determination Date**" means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms or, if none is so specified, the Interest Payment Date;

"Determination Period" means each period from (and including) a Determination Date to but excluding the next Determination Date (including, where either the Interest Commencement Date or the final Interest Payment Date is not a Determination Date, the period commencing on the first Determination Date prior to, and ending on the first Determination Date falling after, such date);

"Interest Commencement Date" means the Issue Date or such other date as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

"Interest Determination Date" means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms; and

"sub-unit" means, with respect to any currency other than euro, the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country of such currency and, with respect to euro, means 1 cent.

# (b) Interest on Floating Rate Notes

(i) Interest Payment Dates

Each Floating Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and such interest will be payable in arrear on either:

- (A) the Specified Interest Payment Date(s) (each an "Interest Payment Date") in each year specified in the applicable Final Terms; or
- (B) if no Specified Interest Payment Date(s) is/are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each date (each an "Interest Payment Date") which falls the number of months or other period specified as the Specified Period in the applicable Final Terms after the preceding Interest Payment Date or, in the case of the first Interest Payment Date, after the Interest Commencement Date.

Such interest will be payable in respect of each Interest Period (which expression shall, in these Conditions, mean the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date).

If a Business Day Convention is specified in the applicable Final Terms and (x) if there is no numerically corresponding day in the calendar month in which an Interest Payment Date should occur or (y) if any Interest Payment Date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is:

- (1) in any case where Specified Periods are specified in accordance with Condition 3(b)(i)(B) above, the Floating Rate Convention, such Interest Payment Date (i) in the case of (x) above, shall be the last day that is a Business Day in the relevant month and the provisions of (B) below shall apply *mutatis mutandis* or (ii) in the case of (y) above, shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event (A) such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding day that is a Business Day and (B) each subsequent Interest Payment Date shall be the last Business Day in the month which falls the Specified Period after the preceding applicable Interest Payment Date occurred; or
- (2) the Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted), such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day; or
- (3) the Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted), (i) for the purpose of calculating the amount of interest payable under the Notes, such Interest Payment Date shall not be adjusted and (ii) for any other purpose, such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day; or
- (4) the Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted), such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding day that is a Business Day; or
- (5) the Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted), (i) for the purpose of calculating the amount of interest payable under the Notes, such Interest Payment Date shall not be adjusted and (ii) for any other purpose, such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the

- next calendar month, in which event such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding day that is a Business Day; or
- (6) the Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted), such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding day that is a Business Day; or
- (7) the Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted), (i) for the purpose of calculating the amount of interest payable under the Notes, such Interest Payment Date shall not be adjusted and (ii) for any other purpose, such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding day that is a Business Day.

In the Conditions, "Business Day" means a day which is both:

- (A) either (1) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (which, if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars, shall be Sydney and, if New Zealand dollars, Auckland and Wellington) or (2) in relation to interest payable in euro, a day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (known as TARGET2) System which was launched on 19 November 2007 or any successor thereto (the "TARGET System") is operating; and
- (B) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in any Additional Business Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms.

# (ii) Rate of Interest

The Rate of Interest from time to time in respect of the Floating Rate Notes will be determined in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms.

# (iii) ISDA Determination

Where ISDA Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will be the relevant ISDA Rate plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any). For the purposes of this sub-paragraph (iii), "ISDA Rate" for an Interest Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent under an interest rate swap transaction if it were acting as Calculation Agent for that swap transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions (as amended and updated as at the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes and as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (the "ISDA Definitions")) and under which:

- (A) the Floating Rate Option is as specified in the applicable Final Terms;
- (B) the Designated Maturity is the period specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (C) the relevant Reset Date is either (i) if the applicable Floating Rate Option is based on the London inter-bank offered rate ("LIBOR") or on the Euro-zone inter-bank offered rate ("EURIBOR") or on the Stockholm inter-bank offered rate ("STIBOR") for a currency, the first day of that Interest Period or (ii) in any other case, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

For the purposes of this sub-paragraph (iii), "Floating Rate", "Calculation Agent", "Floating Rate Option", "Designated Maturity" and "Reset Date" have the meanings given to those terms in the ISDA Definitions.

## (iv) Screen Rate Determination

- (a) Where Screen Rate Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be either:
  - (A) the offered quotation (if there is only one quotation on the Relevant Screen Page); or
  - (B) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place, with 0.00005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page as at 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR, or Stockholm time, in the case of STIBOR) on the Interest Determination Date in question plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent. If five or more such offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page, the highest (or, if there is more than one such highest quotation, one only of such quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one such lowest quotation, one only of such quotations) shall be disregarded by the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of such offered quotations.

- (b) If the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if, in the case of sub-paragraph (iv)(a)(A) above, no such offered quotation appears or, in the case of sub-paragraph (iv)(a)(B) above, fewer than three such offered quotations appear, in each case as at the time specified in sub-paragraph (a) above, the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent shall request each of the Reference Banks (as defined below) to provide the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR, or Stockholm time, in the case of STIBOR) on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent with such offered quotations, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place with 0.00005 being rounded upwards) of such offered quotations plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent.
- (c) If on any Interest Determination Date one only or none of the Reference Banks provides the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent with such offered quotations as provided in sub-paragraph (b) above, the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period shall be the rate per annum which the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent determines as being the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place, with 0.00005 being rounded upwards) of the rates, as communicated to (and at the request of) the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR, or

Stockholm time, in the case of STIBOR) on the relevant Interest Determination Date, deposits in the Specified Currency for the relevant Interest Period by leading banks in the London inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone interbank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) or the Stockholm inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is STIBOR) plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any) or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent with such offered rates, the offered rate for deposits in the Specified Currency for the relevant Interest Period, or the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered rates for deposits in the Specified Currency for the relevant Interest Period, at which, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR, or Stockholm time, in the case of STIBOR) on the relevant Interest Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the relevant Issuer suitable for such purpose) inform(s) the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent it is quoting to leading banks in the London interbank market (if the Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) or the Stockholm inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is STIBOR) plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), provided that, if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph (c), the Rate of Interest shall be determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period, in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period).

- (d) If the Reference Rate from time to time in respect of Floating Rate Notes is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being other than LIBOR, EURIBOR or STIBOR, the Rate of Interest in respect of such Notes will be determined as follows:
  - (A) if the Reference Rate is a composite quotation or customarily supplied by one entity, by the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent as the Reference Rate which appears on the Relevant Screen Page as at 11.00 a.m. in the principal financial centre of the relevant currency (such as London, or Amsterdam in respect of the Euro-zone (where Euro-zone means the region comprising of the countries whose lawful currency is the euro)) on the relevant Interest Determination Date;
  - (B) in any other case (other than referred to in sub-paragraph (C) below), by the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent as the arithmetic mean of the Reference Rates which appear on the Relevant Screen Page as at the time specified in the preceding paragraph on the relevant Interest Determination Date; or
  - (C) in the case of Exempt Notes only, in accordance with such other procedures as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- (e) In this sub-paragraph (iv), the expression "Reference Banks" means, in the case of sub-paragraph (iv)(a)(A) above, those banks whose offered rates were used to determine such quotation when such quotation last appeared on the Relevant Screen Page and, in the case of sub-paragraph (iv)(a)(B) above, those banks whose offered quotations last appeared on the Relevant Screen Page when no fewer than three such offered quotations appeared.

(f) If the Reference Rate from time to time in respect of Floating Rate Notes is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being "BBSW", the Rate of Interest in respect of such Notes for the relevant Interest Period shall be the average mid rate for Bills (having the meaning that term has in the Bills of Exchange Act 1909 of Australia) having a tenor closest to the relevant Interest Period displayed on the "BBSW" page of the Reuters Monitor System on the first day of that Interest Period, plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Calculation Agent. However, if the average mid-rate is not displayed by 10.30 a.m. Sydney time on that day, or if it is displayed but the Calculation Agent determines that there is an obvious error in that rate, the Rate of Interest in respect of such Notes for the relevant Interest Period shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith at approximately 10.30 a.m. Sydney time on that day, having regard, to the extent possible, to the mid-rate of the rates otherwise bid and offered for bank accepted Bills of that tenor at or around that time.

# (v) Minimum and/or Maximum Rate of Interest

If the applicable Final Terms specify a Minimum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs (ii), (iii) and (iv) above is less than such Minimum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Minimum Rate of Interest.

If the applicable Final Terms specify a Maximum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs (ii), (iii) and (iv) above is greater than such Maximum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Maximum Rate of Interest.

# (vi) Determination of Rate of Interest and Calculation of Interest Amounts

The Agent or the Calculation Agent, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, will, at or as soon as practicable after each time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, determine the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period.

The Agent or the Calculation Agent, as specified in the applicable Final Terms will calculate the amount of interest (the "Interest Amount") payable on the Floating Rate Notes in respect of each Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms) for the relevant Interest Period. Each Interest Amount shall be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest to the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms), multiplying the resulting sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. If a Calculation Amount is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the amount of interest payable in respect of a Note shall be the product of the amount (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount and the amount by which the Calculation Amount is multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination of such Note without any further rounding. If, however, the applicable Final Terms specify that Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable, then each Interest Amount or any other amount of interest payable in respect of any Note for any period shall be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest to the outstanding aggregate nominal amount of the relevant series of Notes, multiplying the resulting sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, dividing the resultant figure by the number of such Notes and rounding the resultant figure(s) down to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency.

"Day Count Fraction" means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest on any Note for any period of time (from and including the first day of such period to but excluding the last) (whether or not constituting an Interest Period, the "Calculation Period") in accordance with this Condition 3(b):

- (A) if "Actual/Actual" or "Actual/Actual (ISDA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of that Calculation Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (i) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (ii) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);
- (B) if "Actual/365 (Fixed)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365;
- (C) if "Actual/365 (Sterling)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365 or, in the case of an Interest Payment Date falling in a leap year, 366;
- (D) if "Actual/360" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360;
- (E) if "30/360", "360/360" or "Bond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction = 
$$\frac{[360 \text{ x } (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \text{ x } (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{360 \text{ x } (M_2 - M_1)}$$

where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

" $Y_2$ " is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

" $\mathbf{M_1}$ " is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

" $\mathbf{M_2}$ " is the calendar month, expressed as number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case  $D_1$  will be 30; and

" $\mathbf{D_2}$ " is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31 and  $D_1$  is greater than 29, in which case  $D_2$  will be 30;

(F) if "30E/360" or "Eurobond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction = 
$$\frac{[360 \text{ x } (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \text{ x } (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{360}$$

where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

" $Y_2$ " is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

" $\mathbf{M_1}$ " is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

" $\mathbf{M_2}$ " is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D1 will be 30; and

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30;

(G) if "30E/360 (ISDA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction = 
$$\frac{[360 \text{ x } (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \text{ x } (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{260}$$

where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

" $Y_2$ " is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

" $\mathbf{M_1}$ " is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

"M<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case  $D_1$  will be 30; and

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February but not the Maturity Date or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30;

- (H) if "**RBA Bond Basis**" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the product of (x) one divided by the number of Interest Payment Dates in a year and (y) the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by the total number of days in the Interest Period ending on the next (or first) Interest Payment Date;
- (I) if "Actual/Actual (ICMA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms,
  - (a) if the Calculation Period is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period during which it falls, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year; and

- (b) if the Calculation Period is longer than one Determination Period, the sum of:
  - (x) the number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the Determination Period in which it begins divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year; and
  - (y) the number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Periods normally ending in any year;
- (J) if "1/1" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, one.

## (vii) Notification of Rate of Interest and Interest Amount

The Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent will cause the Rate of Interest and each Interest Amount for each Interest Period and the relevant Interest Payment Date to be notified to the Issuer and any stock exchange on which the relevant Floating Rate Notes are for the time being admitted to trading or listed and notice thereof to be published in accordance with Condition 8 as soon as possible after their determination but in no event later than the fourth London Business Day (as defined below) thereafter. Each Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date so notified may subsequently be amended (or appropriate alternative arrangements made by way of adjustment) without prior notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the Interest Period. Any such amendment will be promptly notified to each stock exchange on which the relevant Floating Rate Notes are for the time being admitted to trading or listed and to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8. For the purposes of this paragraph (vii), the expression "London Business Day" means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business in London.

## (viii) Certificates to be Final

All certificates, communications, opinions, determinations, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of the provisions of this paragraph (b) by the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent, shall (in the absence of wilful default, bad faith or manifest error) be binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent, as the case may be, the other Paying Agents and all Noteholders and Couponholders and (in the absence as aforesaid) no liability to the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Noteholders or the Couponholders shall attach to the Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent, the Issuer or that other agent in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions pursuant to such provisions.

#### (c) Interest on Variable Interest Rate Notes

# (i) Interest Payment Dates

Each Variable Interest Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date at the rate (expressed as a percentage) equal to the Rate of Interest, such interest will be payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Such interest will be payable in respect of each Interest Period (which expression shall, in these Conditions mean the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date).

If a Business Day Convention is specified in the applicable Final Terms and (x) if there is no numerically corresponding day in the calendar month in which an Interest Payment Date should occur or (y) if any Interest Payment Date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then, the Interest Payment Date shall be determined in accordance with the relevant Business Day Convention in accordance with Condition 3(b) above.

### (ii) Rate of Interest

The Rate of Interest applicable from time to time in respect of the Variable Interest Rate Notes will be determined in the manner specified in the applicable Variable Interest Rate Payout, as set out in Condition 4 and supplemented by the applicable Final Terms.

## (iii) Determination of Rate of Interest and Calculation of Interest Amounts

The Agent or the Calculation Agent, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, will, at or as soon as practicable after each time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, determine the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period.

The Agent or the Calculation Agent, as specified in the applicable Final Terms will calculate the Interest Amount payable on the Variable Interest Rate Notes in respect of each Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms) for the relevant Interest Period. Each Interest Amount shall be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest to the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms), multiplying the resulting sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction (as defined in Condition 3(b) above or, in the case of RBA Bond Basis, in Condition 3(a) above) and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. If a Calculation Amount is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the amount of interest payable in respect of a Variable Interest Rate Note shall be the product of the amount (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount and the amount by which the Calculation Amount is multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination of such Note without any further rounding. If, however, the applicable Final Terms specify that Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable, then each Interest Amount or any other amount of interest payable in respect of any Variable Interest Rate Note for any period shall be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest to the outstanding aggregate nominal amount of the relevant series of Variable Interest Rate Notes, multiplying the resulting sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, dividing the resultant figure by the number of such Notes and rounding the resultant figure(s) down to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency.

# (d) Accrual of Interest

Each Note (or, in the case of the redemption of part only of a Note, that part only of such Note) will cease to bear interest (if any) from the date for its redemption unless, upon due presentation thereof, payment of principal is improperly withheld or refused. In such event, interest will continue to accrue until whichever is the earlier of:

(1) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Note have been paid; and

(2) five days after the date on which the full amount of the moneys payable has been received by the Agent and notice to that effect has been given in accordance with Condition 8 or individually.

# (e) Interest on Swedish Notes

For the purposes of calculation of any amount of interest on Swedish Notes, the provisions of this Condition 3 shall be amended so that all periods (including but not limited to in respect of "Fixed Interest Period", "Calculation Period" and "Determination Period") shall consist of the period from (but excluding) the first day of the relevant period up to (and including) the last day of the relevant period.

# (f) Interest Rates Positive

Unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, the rate of interest payable in respect of the Notes shall never be less than zero. If the method for determining a rate of interest applicable to the Notes would result in a negative figure, the applicable rate of interest will be deemed to be zero.

### 4 Rate of Interest for Variable Interest Rate Notes

The following terms (the "Variable Interest Rate Payouts") each relate to a different method of calculating the Rate of Interest in respect of each Interest Payment Date (as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms):

- (a) Tailor-Made Interest
- (b) Step-Up Interest
- (c) Floater Interest
- (d) Floater with Lock-In Interest
- (e) Reverse Floater Interest
- (f) Ratchet Floater Interest
- (g) Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest
- (h) Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest
- (i) Steepener Interest
- (j) Steepener with Lock-In Interest
- (k) Range Accrual(Rates) Interest
- (l) Range Accrual(Spread) Interest
- (m) Inverse Range Accrual Interest
- (n) KO Range Accrual Interest
- (o) Dual Range Accrual Interest
- (p) Snowball Interest
- (q) SnowRanger Interest
- (r) Barrier(Rates) Interest

The Variable Interest Rate Payouts are only relevant to Notes for which the applicable Final Terms specify any of the below Variable Interest Rate Payouts to be applicable. Only the Variable Interest Rate Payouts specified in the applicable Final Terms to be applicable will be applicable to a particular series of Notes.

## (a) Tailor-Made Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

 $Min[Cap(t); Max[Floor(t); Multiplier(t) \times Underlying Rate(t) + Underlying Margin(t)]]$ 

# (b) Step-Up Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) if (A) t = 1 or (B) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) if (A) t is greater than 1 and (B)(1) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (2) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(t-1)+Step-Up(t)

## (c) Floater Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) if "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) if (A) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (B) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

 $Min[Cap(t); Max[Floor(t); Multiplier(t) \times Underlying Rate(t) + Underlying Margin(t)]]$ 

# (d) Floater with Lock-In Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

- (ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:
  - (A) if (1) Reference Rate(t) does not meet the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t) and (2) Rate of Interest(t-1) is not Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t) (or if Interest Payment Date(t) is the first Interest Payment Date):

Reference Rate(t)

(B) if (1) Reference Rate(t) meets the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t) or (2) Rate of Interest(t-1) is Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t):

Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t)

In each case where:

"Reference Rate(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t), the rate determined in accordance with the following formula:

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Min[Cap(t); Max [Floor(t); Multiplier(t) \times Underlying Rate(t) + Underlying Margin(t)]]
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# (e) Reverse Floater Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

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Min \left[ Cap(t); Max \left[ Floor(t); Fix(t) - Multiplier(t) \times Underlying \, Rate(t) \right] \right]
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# (f) Ratchet Floater Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

- (ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period, and:
  - (A) if "Ratchet Floor without Cap" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms:

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Max [Multiplier1(t) \times Rate \ of \ Interest(t-1) + Ratchet(t); \ Multiplier2(t) \times Underlying \ Rate(t) + Underlying \ Margin(t)]
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(B) if "Rachet Floor with Cap" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms:

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Min [Cap(t); Max [Multiplier1(t) \times Rate of Interest(t-1) + Ratchet(t); Multiplier2(t) \times Underlying Rate(t) + Underlying Margin(t)]]
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- (C) if "Ratchet Cap without Floor" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms:
  - (a) in respect of the first Variable Rate Interest Period:

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Multiplier2(t) \times Underlying Rate(t) + Underlying Margin(t)
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(b) in respect of all subsequent Variable Rate Interest Periods:

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Min [Multiplier1(t) \times Rate \ of \ Interest(t-1) + Ratchet(t); \ Multiplier2(t) \times Underlying \ Rate(t) + Underlying \ Margin(t)]
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- (D) if "Ratchet Cap with Floor" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms:
  - (a) in respect of the first Variable Rate Interest Period:

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Max[Floor(t); Multiplier2(t) \times Underlying Rate(t) + Underlying Margin(t)]
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(b) in respect of all subsequent Variable Rate Interest Periods:

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Max [Floor(t); Min [Multiplier1(t) \times Rate of Interest(t-1) + Ratchet(t); Multiplier2(t) \times Underlying Rate(t) + Underlying Margin(t)]]
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In respect of the first Interest Payment Date, the Rate of Interest(t-1) shall be deemed to be 0 per cent.

# (g) Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest

(i) Rate of Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

- (A) If the Issuer has exercised the Issuer Switch Option (as defined in paragraph (ii) below), and:
  - (1) the related Interest Period(t) ends on or prior to the relevant Interest Switch Date (as defined in (ii) below):

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(2) If the related Interest Period(t) begins on or after the relevant Interest Switch Date:

Rate of Interest(Floating)(t)

Where:

"Rate of Interest(Floating)(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) the Rate of Interest determined in accordance with the following formula:

$$Min[Cap(t); Max[Floor(t); Multiplier(t) \times Underlying Rate(t) + Underlying Margin(t)]]$$

(B) If the Issuer has not exercised the Issuer Switch Option:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

# (ii) Issuer Switch Option

The Issuer has the option (the "Issuer Switch Option") to change the Rate of Interest per Note on any Interest Payment Date in respect of the related Interest Period from the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) to the Rate of Interest(Floating)(t) by giving notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions, provided that such notice is given to the Noteholders at least the Minimum Number of Issuer Switch Business Days prior to the relevant Interest Payment Date. If this option is exercised the Rate of Interest(Floating)(t) shall be payable in respect of the Interest Period commencing on and including the Interest Payment Date specified in such notice or, if no date is specified, in respect of the Interest Period commencing on and including the Interest Payment Date following the exercise by the Issuer of the Issuer Switch Option (the "Interest Switch Date") and for each subsequent Interest Period thereafter up to and including the Interest Period ending on (but excluding) the final Interest Payment Date and the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) shall cease to be payable.

# (h) Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest

(i) Rate of Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

- (A) If the Issuer has exercised the Issuer Switch Option (as defined in (ii) below), and:
  - (1) if such Interest Payment Date(t) falls prior to the relevant Interest Switch Date (as defined in (ii) below):

Rate of Interest(Floating)(t)

- (2) if such Interest Payment Date(t) falls on or after the relevant Interest Switch Date: Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
- (B) If the Issuer has not exercised the Issuer Switch Option:

Rate of Interest(Floating)(t)

In each case where:

"Rate of Interest(Floating)(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t) the Rate of Interest determined in accordance with the following formula:

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Min[Cap(t); Max [Floor(t); Multiplier(t) \times Underlying Rate(t) + Underlying Margin(t)]]
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#### (ii) Issuer Switch Option

The Issuer has the option (the "Issuer Switch Option") to change the Rate of Interest per Note on any Interest Payment Date in respect of the related Interest Period from the Rate of Interest(Floating)(t) to the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) by giving notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions, provided that such notice is given to the Noteholders at least the Minimum Number of Issuer Switch Business Days prior to the relevant Interest Payment Date. If this option is exercised the Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) shall be payable in respect of the Interest Period commencing on and including the Interest Payment Date specified in such notice or, if no date is specified, in respect of the Interest Period commencing on and including the Interest Payment Date following the exercise by the Issuer of the Issuer Switch Option (the "Interest Switch Date") and for each subsequent Interest Period thereafter up to and including the Interest Period ending on (but excluding) the final Interest Payment Date and the Rate of Interest(Floating)(t) shall cease to be payable.

## (i) Steepener Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on, but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

 $Min[Cap(t); Max[Floor(t); Multiplier(t) \times Spread(t)]]$ 

### (j) Steepener with Lock-In Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on, but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

- (ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:
  - (A) if (1) Reference Rate(t) does not meet the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t) and (2) Rate of Interest(t-1) is not Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t) (or if Interest Payment Date(t) is the first Interest Payment Date):

Reference Rate(t)

(B) if (1) Reference Rate(t) meets the Lock-In Criterion with respect to the Lock-In(t) or (2) Rate of Interest(t-1) is Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t):

Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t)

In respect of the first Interest Payment Date, the Rate of Interest(t-1) shall be deemed to be 0 per cent.

In each case where:

"Reference Rate(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t), the rate determined in accordance with the following formula:

 $Min[Cap(t); Max[Floor(t); Multiplier(t) \times Spread(t)]]$ 

## (k) Range Accrual(Rates) Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathit{Min} & \left[ \mathit{Cap}(t); \, \mathit{Max} \left[ \mathit{Floor}(t) \, ; \, [\mathit{Multiplier1}(t) \, \times \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Rate}(t) \right. \right. \\ & \left. + \, \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Margin1}(t) \right] \times \frac{n}{N} \\ & \left. + \, \left[ \mathit{Multiplier2}(t) \, \times \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Rate}(t) + \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Margin2}(t) \right] \\ & \left. \times \, \frac{N-n}{N} \right] \right] \end{aligned}$$

Where:

"n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t); provided that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Floor Criterion is "Not Applicable", then "n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) only; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Cap Criterion is "Not Applicable", then "n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) only.

"N" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period, the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period.

## (l) Range Accrual(Spread) Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathit{Min} & \left[ \mathit{Cap}(t); \, \mathit{Max} \left[ \mathit{Floor}(t); \, [\mathit{Multiplier1}(t) \times \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Rate}(t) \right. \right. \\ & \left. + \, \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Margin1}(t) \right] \times \frac{n}{N} \\ & \left. + \, \left[ \mathit{Multiplier2}(t) \times \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Rate}(t) + \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Margin2}(t) \right] \\ & \left. \times \frac{N-n}{N} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Where:

"n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t); provided that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Floor Criterion is "Not Applicable", then "n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) only; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Cap Criterion is "Not Applicable", then "n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Spread(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) only.

"N" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period, the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period.

# (m) Inverse Range Accrual Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathit{Min} \left[ \mathit{Cap}(t); \, \mathit{Max} \, \left[ \mathit{Floor}(t) \, ; \, [\mathit{Multiplier1}(t) \, \times \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Rate}(t) \right. \\ & + \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Margin1}(t) ] \times \frac{n}{N} \\ & + \, \left[ \mathit{Multiplier2}(t) \, \times \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Rate}(t) + \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Margin2}(t) \right] \\ & \times \frac{N-n}{N} \bigg] \end{aligned}$$

Where:

"n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) does not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) or does not meet the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t); provided that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Floor(t) is "Not Applicable", then "n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) does not meet the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) only; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Cap(t) is "Not Applicable", then "n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) does not meet the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) only.

"N" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period, the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period.

#### (n) KO Range Accrual Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

(A) Where "n" is equal to "N":

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Min} \left[ \text{Cap(t); Max} \left[ \text{Floor(t); [Multiplier1(t)} \times \text{Underlying Rate(t)} \right. \right. \\ & \left. + \text{Underlying Margin1(t)]} \right] \end{aligned}$$

(B) Where "n" is less than "N":

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Min} \left[ \text{Cap(t); Max} \left[ \text{Floor(t); [Multiplier2(t)} \times \text{Underlying Rate(t)} \right. \right. \\ & \left. + \text{Underlying Margin2(t)]} \right] \end{aligned}$$

#### Where:

"n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t); provided that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Floor(t) is "Not Applicable", then "n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) only; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Cap(t) is "Not Applicable", then "n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) only.

"N" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period, the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period.

### (o) Dual Range Accrual Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathit{Min} \left[ \mathit{Cap}(t); \, \mathit{Max} \, \left[ \mathit{Floor}(t) \, ; \, [\mathit{Multiplier1}(t) \, \times \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Rate}(t) \right. \\ &+ \, \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Margin1}(t) ] \times \frac{n}{N} \\ &+ \, \left[ \mathit{Multiplier2}(t) \, \times \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Rate}(t) + \mathit{Underlying} \, \mathit{Margin2}(t) ] \\ &\times \frac{N-n}{N} \right] \end{aligned}$$

#### Where:

"n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the conditions set out in both paragraph (i) and (ii) below are satisfied:

- (i) the Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion1 with respect to the Range Accrual Floor1(t) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion1 with respect to the Range Accrual Cap1(t), provided that:
- (a) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Floor1(t) is "Not Applicable" to Range Accrual Reference Factor1, then the condition set out in this paragraph (i) shall be that the Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion1 with respect to the Range Accrual Cap1(t); or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Cap1(t) is "Not Applicable" to Range Accrual Reference Factor1, then the condition set out in this paragraph (i) shall be that the Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion1 with respect to the Range Accrual Floor1(t); and
- (ii) the Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion2 with respect to the Range Accrual Floor2(t) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion2 with respect to the Range Accrual Cap2(t), provided that:
- (a) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Floor2(t) is "Not Applicable" to Range Accrual Reference Factor2, the condition set out in this paragraph (ii) shall be that the Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion2 with respect to the Range Accrual Cap2(t) only; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Cap2(t) is "Not Applicable" to Range Accrual Reference Factor2, then the condition set out in this paragraph (ii) shall be that the Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion2 with respect to the Range Accrual Floor2(t) only.

"N" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period, the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period.

# (p) Snowball Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) if (A) t = 1 or (B) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) if (A) t is greater than 1 and (B)(1) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (2) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

$$Min \left[ Cap(t); Max \left[ Floor(t); Multiplier1(t) \times Rate \ of \ Interest(t-1) \right. \right. \\ \left. + \left[ Fix(t) - Multiplier2(t) \times Underlying \ Rate(t) \right] \right]$$

### (q) SnowRanger Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) if "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) if (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and (b) t = 1:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathit{Min} \left[ \mathit{Cap}(t) \; ; \mathit{Max} \; \left[ \mathit{Floor}(t) \; ; \; \left[ \mathit{Multiplier1}(t) \; \times \mathit{Underlying} \; \mathit{Rate}(t) \right. \right. \\ & \left. + \mathit{Underlying} \; \mathit{Margin}(t) \right] \; \times \frac{n}{N} \right] \end{aligned}$$

(iii) if (a) (1) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and (2) t is greater than 1 or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathit{Min}\left[\mathit{Cap}(t)\,;\mathit{Max}\,\left[\mathit{Floor}(t)\,;\left[\mathit{Multiplier2}(t)\times\mathit{Rate}\;\mathit{of}\;\mathit{Interest}(t-1)\right.\right.\right.\\ &\left.\left.\left.\left.\left.\left.\left(\mathit{Multiplier2}(t)\times\mathit{Vinderlying}\;\mathit{Margin}(t)\right)\right]\times\frac{n}{N}\right]\right] \end{aligned}$$

In each case where:

"n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) and meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t); provided that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Floor(t) is "Not Applicable", then "n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Cap Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Cap(t) only; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms specify that Range Accrual Cap(t) is "Not Applicable", then "n" means, in respect of the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period, the number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period

on which the Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) meets the Range Accrual Floor Criterion with respect to the Range Accrual Floor(t) only.

"N" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period, the total number of Range Accrual Observation Dates in such Range Accrual Observation Period.

# (r) Barrier(Rates) Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

- (i) If "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:
  - Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
- (ii) If (a) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (b) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:
  - (A) if Underlying Rate(t) does not meet the Upper Barrier Criterion with respect to the Upper Barrier(t):
    - $Multiplier(Upper\ Barrier)(t) \times Underlying\ Rate(t) + Underlying\ Margin1(t)$
  - (B) if Underlying Rate(t) (1) meets the Lower Barrier Criterion with respect to the Lower Barrier(t) and (2) meets the Upper Barrier Criterion with respect to the Upper Barrier(t):
    - $Multiplier(Barrier)(t) \times Underlying \ Rate(t) + Underlying \ Margin2(t)$
  - (C) if Underlying Rate(t) does not meet the Lower Barrier Criterion with respect to the Lower Barrier(t):
    - $Multiplier(Lower\ Barrier)(t) \times Underlying\ Rate(t) + Underlying\ Margin3(t)$

#### **5 Variable Interest Rate Notes Definitions**

For the purposes of Condition 4, the following terms shall have the meanings set out below:

"Cap(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Cap Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Cap(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t). If Cap is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms Cap(t) shall be infinity.

"Fixed Rate Interest Period" means each Interest Period falling within the Fixed Rate Period (if any).

"Fixed Rate Period" means the period (if any) from and including the Fixed Rate Period Start Date to and including the Fixed Rate Period End Date.

"Fixed Rate Period End Date" means the date specified as such (if any) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Fixed Rate Period Start Date" means the date specified as such (if any) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Fixing Day City" means the city specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Fixing Days" means any day on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the Fixing Day City.

"Fix(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Fix Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Fix(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).

"Floor(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Floor Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Floor(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t). If Floor is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms Floor(t) shall be zero.

"Interest Payment Date(t-1)" means the Interest Payment Date immediately preceding Interest Payment Date(t).

"Interest Period(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t), the period from (and including) Interest Payment Date(t-1) (or, if Interest Payment Date(t) is the first Interest Payment Date, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t).

"Lock-In Criterion" means, in respect of an Underlying Rate(t) or a Reference Rate(t), and any Interest Period(t) or Interest Payment Date(t) as applicable:

- (i) if "Excess" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Underlying Rate(t) or Reference Rate(t), as applicable, is higher than the Lock-In(t); or
- (ii) if "Excess/Equal" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Underlying Rate(t) or Reference Rate(t), as applicable, is higher than or equal to the Lock-In(t).

"Lock-In(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Lock-In Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Lock-In(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).

#### "Lower Barrier Criterion" means:

- (i) if "Excess" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Underlying Rate(t) is higher than the Lower Barrier(t); or
- (ii) if "Excess/Equal" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Underlying Rate(t) is higher than or equal to the Lower Barrier(t).

"Lower Barrier(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Lower Barrier Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Lower Barrier(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t). If Lower Barrier is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms the Lower Barrier(t) shall be zero.

"Max" followed by a series of amounts inside brackets, means whichever is the greater of the amounts separated by a semi colon inside those brackets.

"Min" followed by a series of amounts inside brackets, means whichever is the lesser of the amounts separated by a semi colon inside those brackets.

"Minimum Number of Issuer Switch Business Days" means the number of Business Day specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Multiplier(Barrier)(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Multiplier(Barrier) Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the

percentage specified under the heading "Multiplier(Barrier)(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).

- "Multiplier(Lower Barrier)(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Multiplier(Lower Barrier) Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Multiplier(Lower Barrier)(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).
- "Multiplier(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Multiplier Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Multiplier(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t). If no Multiplier is specified in the applicable Final Terms the Multiplier(t) shall be 100 per cent.
- "Multiplier1(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Multiplier1 Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Multiplier1(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t). If no Multiplier1 is specified in the applicable Final Terms the Multiplier1(t) shall be 100 per cent.
- "Multiplier2(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Multiplier2 Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Multiplier2(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t). If no Multiplier2 is specified in the applicable Final Terms the Multiplier2(t) shall be 100 per cent.
- "Multiplier(Upper Barrier)(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Multiplier(Upper Barrier) Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Multiplier(Upper Barrier)(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).
- "Number of Fixing Days" means the number of Fixing Days specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Number of Range Accrual Reference Fixing Days" means the number of Range Accrual Reference Fixing Days specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Range Accrual Cap(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period and Range Accrual Observation Date specified under the heading "Range Accrual Cap Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Range Accrual Cap(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period and related Range Accrual Observation Date.
- "Range Accrual Cap1(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period and Range Accrual Observation Date specified under the heading "Range Accrual Cap1 Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Range Accrual Cap1(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period and related Range Accrual Observation Date.
- "Range Accrual Cap2(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period and Range Accrual Observation Date specified under the heading "Range Accrual Cap2 Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Range Accrual Cap2(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period and related Range Accrual Observation Date.

#### "Range Accrual Cap Criterion" means, in respect of any Range Accrual Observation Date:

- (i) if "Less" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor(t) is lower than the Range Accrual Cap(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date; or
- (ii) if "Less/Equal" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor(t) is lower than or equal to the Range Accrual Cap(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date.

#### "Range Accrual Cap Criterion1" means, in respect of any Range Accrual Observation Date:

- (i) if "Less" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) is lower than the Range Accrual Cap1(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date; or
- (ii) if "Less/Equal" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) is lower than or equal to the Range Accrual Cap1(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date.

## "Range Accrual Cap Criterion2" means, in respect of any Range Accrual Observation Date:

- (i) if "Less" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) is lower than the Range Accrual Cap2(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date; or
- (ii) if "Less/Equal" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) is lower than or equal to the Range Accrual Cap2(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date.

## "Range Accrual Floor Criterion" means, in respect of any Range Accrual Observation Date:

- (i) if "Excess" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor(t) is higher than the Range Accrual Floor(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date; or
- (ii) if "Excess/Equal" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor(t) is higher than or equal to the Range Accrual Floor(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date.

# "Range Accrual Floor Criterion1" means, in respect of any Range Accrual Observation Date:

- (i) if "Excess" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) is higher than the Range Accrual Floor1(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date; or
- (ii) if "Excess/Equal" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t) is higher than or equal to the Range Accrual Floor1(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date.

### "Range Accrual Floor Criterion2" means, in respect of any Range Accrual Observation Date:

- (i) if "Excess" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) is higher than the Range Accrual Floor2(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date; or
- (ii) if "Excess/Equal" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t) is higher than or equal to the Range Accrual Floor2(t) on such Range Accrual Observation Date

"Range Accrual Floor(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period and Range Accrual Observation Date specified under the heading "Range Accrual Floor Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Range Accrual Floor(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period and related Range Accrual Observation Date.

- "Range Accrual Floor1(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period and Range Accrual Observation Date specified under the heading "Range Accrual Floor1 Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Range Accrual Floor1(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period and related Range Accrual Observation Date.
- "Range Accrual Floor2(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Period and Range Accrual Observation Date specified under the heading "Range Accrual Floor2 Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Range Accrual Floor2(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Range Accrual Observation Period and related Range Accrual Observation Date.
- "Range Accrual Observation Date" means, in respect of each Range Accrual Observation Period, each date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms in respect of such Range Accrual Observation Period, provided that if any Range Accrual Observation Date is not a Business Day the Range Accrual Reference Factor(t) for such Range Accrual Observation Date shall be the Range Accrual Reference Factor(t) for the immediately preceding Business Day.
- "Range Accrual Observation Period" means, in respect of an Interest Payment Date, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, the period from and including two Business Days before the previous Interest Payment Date(t) to and including three Business Days before such Interest Payment Date.
- "Range Accrual Reference Currency" means the currency specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Range Accrual Reference Factor" means a Range Accrual Reference Rate or a Range Accrual Reference Spread, as the case may be.
- "Range Accrual Reference Factor(t)" means a Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) or a Range Accrual Reference Spread(t), as the case may be.
- "Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t)" means Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t) or Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t), as the case may be.
- "Range Accrual Reference Factor2(t)" means Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t) or Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t), as the case may be.
- "Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day City" means the city specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Range Accrual Reference Fixing Days" means any day on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day City.
- "Range Accrual Reference Rate(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date and a Range Accrual Observation Period, the rate determined in accordance with the provisions of Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate(t) or Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Range Accrual Reference RateA(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date and a Range Accrual Observation Period, the rate determined in accordance with the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "A(t)", and with the variables specified under Range Accrual Reference RateA(t) in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Range Accrual Reference RateB(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date and a Range Accrual Observation Period, the rate determined in accordance with the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) and any

other applicable definitions were to "B(t)", and with the variables specified under Range Accrual Reference RateB(t) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Range Accrual Reference RateC(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date and a Range Accrual Observation Period, the rate determined in accordance with the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "C(t)", and with the variables specified under Range Accrual Reference RateC(t) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Range Accrual Reference RateD(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date and a Range Accrual Observation Period, the rate determined in accordance with the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "D(t)", and with the variables specified under Range Accrual Reference RateD(t) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date and a Range Accrual Observation Period, the rate determined in accordance with the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "1(t)", and with the variables specified under Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date and a Range Accrual Observation Period, the rate determined in accordance with the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Range Accrual Reference Rate(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "2(t)", and with the variables specified under Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Range Accrual Reference Rate Determination Date(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date, such Range Accrual Observation Date or as otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms.

"Range Accrual Reference Rate Reset Date(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date, such Range Accrual Observation Date or as otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms.

"Range Accrual Calculation Reference Rate" means the rate specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date, a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Calculation Agent under an interest rate swap transaction if it were acting as calculation agent for that swap transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions (as amended and updated as at the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes) as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (the "ISDA Definitions") under which:

- (i) the Floating Rate Option is as specified in the applicable Final Terms;
- (ii) the Designated Maturity is the period specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (iii) the relevant Reset Date is the Range Accrual Reference Rate Reset Date(t).

For the purposes of this definition of Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate(t), "Floating Rate", "Calculation Agent", "Floating Rate Option", "Designated Maturity" and "Reset Date" have the meanings given to those terms in the ISDA Definitions.

"Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date, and subject as provided below, either:

- (i) the offered quotation (if there is only one quotation on the Relevant Screen Page(Range Accrual Reference)); or
- (ii) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place, with 0.00005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Range Accrual Calculation Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page(Range Accrual Reference) as at 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR) on the Range Accrual Reference Rate Determination Date(t), as determined by the Calculation Agent. If five or more such offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page(Range Accrual Reference), the highest (or, if there is more than one such highest quotation, one only of such quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one such lowest quotation, one only of such quotations) shall be disregarded by the Calculation Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of such offered quotations.

#### Provided that:

- (i) If the Relevant Screen Page(Range Accrual Reference) is not available or if in the case of (A) above, no such offered quotation appears or, in the case of (B) above, fewer than three such offered quotations appear, in each case as at the time specified in the preceding paragraph, the Calculation Agent shall request each of the Range Accrual Reference Banks (as defined below) to provide the Calculation Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Range Accrual Calculation Reference Rate at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR) on the Range Accrual Reference Rate Determination Date(t) in question. If two or more of the Range Accrual Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such offered quotations, the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t) for such Range Accrual Observation Date, shall be the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place with 0.00005 being rounded upwards) of such offered quotations, all as determined by the Calculation Agent.
- (ii) If on any Range Accrual Reference Rate Determination Date(t) one only or none of the Range Accrual Reference Banks provides the Calculation Agent with such offered quotations as provided in the preceding paragraph, the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t) for such Range Accrual Observation Date, shall be the rate per annum which the Calculation Agent determines as being the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place, with 0.00005 being rounded upwards) of the rates, as communicated to (and at the request of) the Calculation Agent by the Range Accrual Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR) on the relevant Range Accrual Reference Rate Determination Date(t), deposits in the Range Accrual Reference Currency for the period equal to that which would have been used for the relevant Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t) by leading banks in the London inter-bank market (if the Range Accrual Calculation Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Range Accrual Calculation Reference Rate is EURIBOR) or, if fewer than two of the Range Accrual Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such offered rates, the offered rate for deposits in the Range Accrual Reference Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t), or the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered rates for deposits in the Range Accrual Reference Currency for the period equal

to that which would have been used for the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t), at which, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR) on the relevant Range Accrual Reference Rate Determination Date(t), any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the relevant Issuer suitable for such purpose) inform(s) the Calculation Agent it is quoting to leading banks in the London interbank market (if the Range Accrual Calculation Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Range Accrual Calculation Reference Rate is EURIBOR), provided that, if the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t) cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t) shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in its discretion.

(iii) If the Range Accrual Calculation Reference Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being "BBSW", the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t) for the relevant Range Accrual Observation Date, shall be the average mid rate for Bills (having the meaning that term has in the Bills of Exchange Act 1909 of Australia) having a tenor closest to the period equal to that which would have been used for the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t) displayed on the "BBSW" page of the Reuters Monitor System on such Range Accrual Observation Date, all as determined by the Calculation Agent. However, if the average mid rate is not displayed by 10:30 am Sydney time on that day, or if it is displayed but the Calculation Agent determines that there is an obvious error in that rate, the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t) for the relevant Range Accrual Observation Date shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith at approximately 10:30 am Sydney time on that day, having regard, to the extent possible, to the mid rate of the rates otherwise bid and offered for bank accepted Bills of that tenor at or around that time.

In this definition of Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t), the expression "Range Accrual Reference Banks" means, in the case of (A) above, those banks whose offered rates were used to determine such quotation when such quotation last appeared on the Relevant Screen Page(Range Accrual Reference) and, in the case of (B) above, those banks whose offered quotations last appeared on the Relevant Screen Page(Range Accrual Reference) when no fewer than three such offered quotations appeared.

"Range Accrual Reference Spread(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date and a Range Accrual Observation Period, the percentage rate per annum calculated as follows:

Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t) - Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t)

"Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date and a Range Accrual Observation Period, the percentage rate per annum calculated as follows:

Range Accrual Reference RateA(t) - Range Accrual Reference RateB(t)

"Range Accrual Reference Spread2(t)" means, in respect of a Range Accrual Observation Date and a Range Accrual Observation Period, the percentage rate per annum calculated as follows:

 $Range\ Accrual\ Reference\ Rate C(t)-Range\ Accrual\ Reference\ Rate D(t)$ 

"Ratchet(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Ratchet Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Ratchet(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).

"Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the

rate specified under the heading "Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).

"Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Rate of Interest(Lock-In) Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the rate specified under the heading "Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).

"Rate of Interest(t-1)" means the Rate of Interest in respect of Interest Payment Date(t-1).

"Relevant Screen Page(Range Accrual Reference)" means the screen page specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Relevant Screen Page(Underlying)" means the screen page specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Spread(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), the percentage rate per annum calculated as follows:

Underlying Rate1(t) – Underlying Rate2(t)

"Step-Up(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Step-Up Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Step-Up(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).

"t" is an ascending series of unique positive integers starting from and including 1 (one) up to and including T, each denoting one Interest Period (and its related Interest Payment Date) in chronological order.

"T" means the total number of Interest Periods (or related Interest Payment Dates).

"Underlying ISDA Rate(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Calculation Agent under an interest rate swap transaction if it were acting as Calculation Agent for that swap transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions (as amended and updated as at the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes) as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (the "ISDA Definitions") under which:

- (i) the Floating Rate Option is as specified in the applicable Final Terms;
- (ii) the Designated Maturity is the period specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (iii) the relevant Reset Date is the Underlying Rate Reset Date(t).

For the purposes of this definition of Underlying ISDA Rate(t), "Floating Rate", "Calculation Agent", "Floating Rate Option", "Designated Maturity" and "Reset Date" have the meanings given to those terms in the ISDA Definitions.

"Underlying Margin(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Underlying Margin Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Underlying Margin(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).

"Underlying Margin1(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), the percentage determined in accordance with the definition of Underlying Margin(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Underlying Margin(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "1(t)", and with the variables specified under Underlying Margin1(t) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Underlying Margin2(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), the percentage determined in accordance with the definition of Underlying Margin(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Underlying Margin(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "2(t)", and with the variables specified under Underlying Margin2(t) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Underlying Margin3(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), the percentage determined in accordance with the definition of Underlying Margin(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Underlying Margin(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "3(t)", and with the variables specified under Underlying Margin3(t) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Underlying Rate Determination Date(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), (i) if "Fixing in Advance" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Number of Fixing Days prior to the first day of such Interest Period(t), (ii) if "Fixing in Arrear" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Number of Fixing Days prior to the last day of such Interest Period(t), (iii) in any other case, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

"Underlying Rate Reset Date(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), (i) if "Fixing in Advance" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Number of Fixing Days prior to the first day of such Interest Period(t), (ii) if "Fixing in Arrear" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Number of Fixing Days prior to the last day of such Interest Period(t), (iii) in any other case, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

"Underlying Rate(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), the rate determined in accordance with the provisions of Underlying ISDA Rate(t) or Underlying Screen Rate(t), as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

"Underlying Rate1(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), the rate determined in accordance with the definition of Underlying Rate(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Underlying Rate(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "1(t)", and with the variables specified under Underlying Rate1(t) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Underlying Rate2(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), the rate determined in accordance with the definition of Underlying Rate(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Underlying Rate(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "2(t)", and with the variables specified under Underlying Rate2(t) in the applicable Final Terms.

"Underlying Reference Rate" means the rate specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Underlying Screen Rate(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), and subject as provided below, either:

- (i) the offered quotation (if there is only one quotation on the Relevant Screen Page(Underlying)); or
- (ii) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place, with 0.00005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Underlying Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page(Underlying) as at 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR) on the Underlying Rate Determination Date(t), as determined by the Calculation Agent. If five or more such offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page(Underlying), the highest (or, if there is more than one such highest quotation, one only of such quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one such lowest quotation, one only of such quotations) shall be disregarded by the Calculation Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of such offered quotations.

#### Provided that:

- (i) If the Relevant Screen Page(Underlying) is not available or, if in the case of (i) above, no such offered quotation appears or, in the case of (ii) above, fewer than three such offered quotations appear, in each case as at the time specified in the preceding paragraph, the Calculation Agent shall request each of the Reference Banks (as defined below) to provide the Calculation Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Underlying Reference Rate at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR) on the Underlying Rate Determination Date(t) in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such offered quotations, the Underlying Screen Rate(t) for such Interest Period(t), shall be the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place with 0.00005 being rounded upwards) of such offered quotations, all as determined by the Calculation Agent.
- If on any Underlying Rate Determination Date(t) one only or none of the Reference Banks (ii) provides the Calculation Agent with such offered quotations as provided in the preceding paragraph, the Underlying Screen Rate(t) for such Interest Period(t) shall be the rate per annum which the Calculation Agent determines as being the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fourth decimal place, with 0.00005 being rounded upwards) of the rates, as communicated to (and at the request of) the Calculation Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR) on the relevant Underlying Rate Determination Date(t), deposits in the Specified Currency for the period equal to that which would have been used for the relevant Underlying Screen Rate(t) by leading banks in the London inter-bank market (if the Underlying Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone interbank market (if the Underlying Reference Rate is EURIBOR) or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such offered rates, the offered rate for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Underlying Screen Rate(t), or the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered rates for deposits in the Specified Currency for the period equal to that which would have been used for the Underlying Screen Rate(t), at which, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of LIBOR, or Brussels time, in the case of EURIBOR) on the relevant Underlying Rate Determination Date(t), any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the relevant Issuer suitable for such purpose) inform(s) the Calculation Agent it is quoting to leading banks in the London inter-bank market (if the Underlying Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Underlying Reference Rate is EURIBOR), provided that, if the Underlying Screen Rate(t) cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Underlying Screen Rate(t) shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in its discretion.
- (iii) If the Underlying Reference Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being "BBSW", the Underlying Screen Rate(t) for the relevant Interest Period(t) shall be the average mid rate for Bills (having the meaning that term has in the Bills of Exchange Act 1909 of Australia) having a tenor closest to the period equal to that which would have been used for the Underlying Screen Rate(t) displayed on the "BBSW" page of the Reuters Monitor System on the first day of that Interest Period(t), as applicable, all as determined by the Calculation Agent. However, if the average mid rate is not displayed by 10.30 a.m. Sydney time on that day, or, if it is displayed but the Calculation Agent determines that there is an obvious error in that rate, the Underlying Screen Rate(t) in respect of such Notes for the relevant Interest Period(t) shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith at approximately 10.30 a.m. Sydney time

on that day, having regard, to the extent possible, to the mid rate of the rates otherwise bid and offered for bank accepted Bills of that tenor at or around that time.

In this definition of Underlying Screen Rate(t), the expression "Reference Banks" means, in the case of (i) above, those banks whose offered rates were used to determine such quotation when such quotation last appeared on the Relevant Screen Page(Underlying) and, in the case of (ii) above, those banks whose offered quotations last appeared on the Relevant Screen Page(Underlying) when no fewer than three such offered quotations appeared.

"Upper Barrier(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Upper Barrier Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Upper Barrier(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t). If Upper Barrier is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms the Upper Barrier(t) shall be infinity.

#### "Upper Barrier Criterion" means:

- (i) if "Less" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Underlying Rate(t) is lower than the Upper Barrier(t); or
- (ii) if "Less/Equal" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, that the Underlying Rate(t) is lower than or equal to the Upper Barrier(t).

"Variable Rate Interest Period" means each Interest Period(t) falling outside of the Fixed Rate Period.

#### 6 Payments

#### (a) Method of Payment

Subject as provided below:

- (i) payments in a Specified Currency other than euro will be made by transfer to an account in the relevant Specified Currency (which, in the case of a payment in Japanese Yen to a non-resident of Japan, shall be a non-resident account) maintained and specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Specified Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Specified Currency (which, if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars, shall be Sydney and if New Zealand dollars, Auckland and Wellington); and
- (ii) payments in euro will be made by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee.

Payments will be subject in all cases to any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in the place of payment.

# (b) Presentation of Notes, Receipts and Coupons

Payments of principal in respect of definitive Bearer Notes will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner provided in paragraph (a) above only against surrender of definitive Bearer Notes, and payments of interest in respect of definitive Bearer Notes will (subject as provided below) be made as aforesaid only against surrender of Coupons, in each case at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States (which expression, as used herein, means the United States of America (including the State and District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction)).

Payments of instalments of principal in respect of definitive Bearer Notes (if any), other than the final instalment, will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner provided in paragraph (a) above against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of the relevant Receipt. Payment of the final instalment will be made in the manner provided in paragraph (a) above against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of the relevant Bearer Note. Each Receipt must be presented for payment of the relevant instalment together with the definitive Bearer Note to which it appertains. Receipts presented without the definitive Bearer Note to which they appertain do not constitute valid obligations of the Issuer. Upon the date on which any definitive Bearer Note becomes due and repayable, unmatured Receipts (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect thereof.

Fixed Rate Notes in definitive bearer form (other than Long Maturity Notes (as defined below)) should be presented for payment together with all unmatured Coupons appertaining thereto (which expression shall for this purpose include Coupons falling to be issued on exchange of matured Talons), failing which the amount of any missing unmatured Coupon (or, in the case of payment not being made in full, the same proportion of the amount of such missing unmatured Coupon as the sum so paid bears to the sum due) will be deducted from the sum due for payment. Each amount of principal so deducted will be paid in the manner mentioned above against surrender of the relative missing Coupon at any time before the expiry of 10 years after the Relevant Date (as defined below) in respect of such principal (whether or not such Coupon would otherwise have become void under Condition 10) or, if later, five years from the date on which such Coupon would otherwise have become due, but in no event thereafter. Upon any such Fixed Rate Note becoming due and repayable prior to its Maturity Date, all unmatured Talons (if any) appertaining thereto will become void and no further Coupons will be issued in respect thereof.

As used herein, the "**Relevant Date**" means the date on which such payment first becomes due, except that, if the full amount of the moneys payable has not been duly received by the Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which, the full amount of such moneys having been so received, notice to that effect is duly given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8.

Upon the date on which any Floating Rate Note in definitive bearer form becomes due and repayable, unmatured Receipts (having an Instalment Date falling on or after such due date), Coupons and Talons (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment or, as the case may be, exchange for further Coupons shall be made in respect thereof. A "Long Maturity Note" is a Fixed Rate Note (other than a Fixed Rate Note which on issue had a Talon attached) whose nominal amount on issue is less than the aggregate interest payable thereon, provided that such Note shall cease to be a Long Maturity Note on the Interest Payment Date on which the aggregate amount of interest remaining to be paid after that date is less than the nominal amount of such Note.

If the due date for redemption of any definitive Bearer Note is not an Interest Payment Date, interest (if any) accrued in respect of such Note from (and including) the preceding Interest Payment Date or, as the case may be, the Interest Commencement Date shall be payable only against surrender of the relevant definitive Bearer Note.

Payments of principal and interest (if any) in respect of Notes represented by any global Bearer Note will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner specified above in relation to definitive Bearer Notes and otherwise in the manner specified in the relevant global Bearer Note (in the case of a global Bearer Note not in New Global Note form, against presentation or surrender, as the case may be, of such global Bearer Note at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States, and, in the case of a global Bearer Note in New Global Note form, by payment to or to the order of the

common safekeeper for such global Bearer Note). A record of each payment made against presentation or surrender of any such global Bearer Note not in New Global Note form, distinguishing between any payment of principal and any payment of interest, will be made on such global Bearer Note by such Paying Agent and such record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the payment in question has been made. If a global Bearer Note is in New Global Note form, the Issuer shall procure that details of each payment of principal and interest (if any) in respect of Notes represented by the New Global Note shall be entered *pro rata* in the records of the relevant clearing system and, in the case of payments of principal, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant clearing system and represented by the global Bearer Note will be reduced accordingly. Each payment so made will discharge the Issuer's obligations in respect thereof. Any failure to make the entries in the records of the relevant clearing system shall not affect such discharge.

Where a global Bearer Note is a New Global Note, the Issuer shall procure that any exchange, payment, cancellation, exercise of any option or any right under the Notes, as the case may be, shall be entered in the records of the relevant clearing systems and, upon any such entry being made, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by such global Bearer Note shall be adjusted accordingly.

The holder of a global Note (or in the case of a Registered Note, the registered holder) shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of Notes represented by such global Note and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, such holder of the global Note in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt or DTC as the beneficial holder of a particular nominal amount of Notes represented by such global Note must look solely to Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt or DTC, as the case may be, for his share of each payment so made by the Issuer to, or to the order of, the holder of such global Note. No person other than the holder of such global Note shall have any claim against the Issuer in respect of any payments due on that global Note.

In the case of Notes held by Euroclear Netherlands, payment of interest or principal or any other payments on or in respect of the Notes to the Noteholders will be effected through Participants of Euroclear Netherlands. The Issuer shall deposit or cause to be deposited the funds intended for payment on the Notes in an account of Euroclear Netherlands. The Issuer will by such deposit be discharged of its obligations towards the Noteholders. No person other than the holder of the global Note shall have any claim against the Issuer in respect of any payments due on that global Note. Euroclear Netherlands will be discharged of its obligation to pay by paying the relevant funds to the Euroclear Netherlands Participants which according to Euroclear Netherlands' record hold a share in the *girodepot* with respect to such Notes, the relevant payment to be made in proportion to the share in such *girodepot* held by each of such Euroclear Netherlands Participants. Euroclear Netherlands shall not be obliged to make any payment in excess of funds it actually received as funds free of charges of any kind whatsoever.

Payments of principal, interest and/or any other amount payable in respect of the Italian Bonds and Italian Certificates shall be made through Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, DTC and/or any additional or alternative clearing system(s) approved by the Global Issuer and the Agent (but excluding Euroclear Netherlands) or to its order for credits to the accounts of the relevant accountholders of such clearing system(s) in accordance with the rules of the relevant clearing system(s).

All amounts payable to DTC or its nominee as registered holder of a registered global Note in respect of Notes denominated in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars shall be paid by transfer by the Registrar to an account in the relevant Specified Currency of any Transfer Agent on behalf of DTC or its nominee for payment in such Specified Currency or conversion into U.S. dollars in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement.

Payments of principal, interest and/or any other amount payable under the Conditions in respect of Finnish Notes shall be made to the Noteholders recorded as such on the business day (as defined by the then applicable Finnish CSD Rules) before the due date for such payment, or such other business day as may then be stipulated in the Finnish CSD Rules. Such day shall be the Record Date in respect of the Finnish Notes.

Payments of principal, interest and/or any other amount payable under the Conditions in respect of Norwegian Notes shall be made to the Noteholders recorded as such on the fifth business day before the due date for such payment. As far as Norwegian Notes are concerned, the fifth business day before the date of payment shall be considered the due date in respect of the Norwegian Registration of Financial Instruments Act Section 7-4, and payment by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer to the party who was registered as holder of the Note on the fifth business day before payment is due frees the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer from its liability.

Payments of principal, interest and/or any other amount payable under the Conditions in respect of Swedish Notes shall be made to the Noteholders recorded as such on the fifth business day (as defined by the then applicable Swedish CSD Rules) before the due date for such payment, or such other business day falling closer to the due date as may then be stipulated in said Rules. Such day shall be the Record Date in respect of the Swedish Notes.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, U.S. dollar payments of principal and interest in respect of Bearer Notes will be made at the specified office of a Paying Agent in the United States (which expression, as used herein, means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction)) if:

- (i) the Issuer has appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment in U.S. dollars at such specified offices outside the United States of the full amount of principal and interest on the Notes in the manner provided above when due;
- (ii) payment of the full amount of such principal and interest at all such specified offices outside the United States is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on the full payment or receipt of principal and interest in U.S. dollars; and
- (iii) such payment is then permitted under United States law without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer, adverse tax consequences to the Issuer.

Subject as set out below, payments of principal in respect of Registered Notes (whether in definitive or global form) will be made in the manner provided in paragraph (a) above against presentation and surrender of such Notes at the specified office of the Registrar or at the specified office of any Paying Agent. Payments of interest due on a Registered Note will be made to the person in whose name such Note is registered at the close of business on, in the case of Registered Notes in definitive form, the fifteenth day (whether or not such fifteenth day is a business day (being for this purpose a day on which banks are open for business in the city where the specified office of the Registrar is located), and, in the case of Registered Notes in global form, the Clearing System Business Day (meaning Monday to Friday inclusive, except 25 December and 1 January) (the "Record Date")) immediately prior to the due date for payment. In the case of payments by cheque, cheques will be mailed to the holder (or the first named of joint holders) at such holder's registered address on the due date. If payment is required by credit or transfer as referred to in paragraph (a) above, application for such payment must be made by the holder to the Registrar not later than the relevant Record Date.

## (c) Australian Domestic Instruments

Conditions 6(a) and 6(b) do not apply in respect of Australian Domestic Instruments. The provisions of this Condition 6(c) shall apply in respect of Australian Domestic Instruments only.

The Australian Registrar will act (through its office in Sydney) as paying agent for Australian Domestic Instruments pursuant to an Agency and Registry Services Agreement (such Agency and Registry Services Agreement as amended or supplemented from time to time, the "Australian Registry Services Agreement") between the Australian Issuer and the Australian Registrar.

For the purposes of this Condition 6(c), in relation to Australian Domestic Instruments, "Business Day" has the meaning given in the Australian Registry Services Agreement.

Payments of principal and interest will be made in Sydney in Australian dollars to the persons who, on the relevant Record Date (as defined below), are registered as the holders of such Australian Domestic Instruments, subject in all cases to normal banking practice and all applicable laws and regulations. Payment will be made either (i) by cheques drawn on the Sydney branch of an Australian bank and dispatched by post on the relevant payment date at the risk of the Noteholder or (ii) at the option of the Noteholder, by the Australian Registrar giving irrevocable instructions for the effecting of a transfer of the relevant funds to an Australian dollar account in Australia specified by the Noteholder to the Australian Registrar (or in any other manner in Sydney which the Australian Registrar and the Noteholder agree).

In the case of payments made by electronic transfer, payments will for all purposes be taken to be made when the Australian Registrar gives irrevocable instructions in Sydney for the making of the relevant payment by electronic transfer, being instructions which would be reasonably expected to result, in the ordinary course of banking business, in the funds transferred reaching the account of the Noteholder on the same day as the day on which the instructions are given.

If a cheque posted or an electronic transfer for which irrevocable instructions have been given by the Australian Registrar is shown, to the satisfaction of the Australian Registrar, not to have reached the Noteholder and the Australian Registrar is able to recover the relevant funds, the Australian Registrar may make such other arrangements as it thinks fit for the effecting of the payment in Sydney.

Interest will be calculated in the manner specified in Condition 3 and will be payable to the persons who are registered as Noteholders on the relevant Record Date and cheques will be made payable to the Noteholder (or, in the case of joint Noteholders, to the first named) and sent to their registered address, unless instructions to the contrary are given by the Noteholder (or, in the case of joint Noteholders, by all the Noteholders) in such form as may be prescribed by the Australian Registrar. Payments of principal will be made to, or to the order of, the persons who are registered as Noteholders on the relevant Record Date, subject, if so directed by the Australian Registrar, to receipt from them of such instructions as the Australian Registrar may require, and cheques will be made payable to the Noteholder (or, in the case of joint Noteholders, to the first named) and sent to their registered address, unless instructions to the contrary are given by the Noteholder (or, in the case of joint Noteholders, by all the Noteholders) in such form as may be prescribed by the Australian Registrar.

Payments will be subject in all cases to any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto. Neither the Australian Issuer nor the Australian Registrar shall be liable to any Noteholder or other person for any commissions, costs, losses or expenses in relation to or resulting from such payments.

In this Condition 6(c) in relation to Australian Domestic Instruments, "**Record Date**" means, in the case of payments of principal or interest, the close of business in Sydney on the date which is the eighth calendar day before the due date of the relevant payment of principal or interest.

## (d) Payment Day

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms in relation to a Tranche of Notes, if the date for payment of any amount in respect of any Note, Receipt or Coupon is not a Payment Day, the holder thereof shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day in the relevant place and shall not be entitled to further interest or other payment in respect of such delay. For these purposes (unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms), "Payment Day" means any day which (subject to Condition 10) is:

- (i) either (1) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (which, if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars, shall be Sydney and, if New Zealand dollars, Auckland and Wellington) or (2) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the TARGET System is operating;
- (ii) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in:
  - (A) in respect of Notes in definitive form, the relevant place of presentation; and
  - (B) any Additional Financial Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms;
- (iii) in the case of any payment in respect of a Restricted Global Note denominated in a Specified Currency other than U.S. dollars and registered in the name of DTC or its nominee and, in respect of which an accountholder of DTC (with an interest in such Restricted Global Note) has elected to receive any part of such payment in U.S. dollars, not a day on which banking institutions are authorised or required by law or regulation to be closed in New York City; and
- (iv) in the case of Australian Domestic Instruments, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in Sydney only.

Notwithstanding anything else in these Conditions, in the event that an Interest Payment Date is brought forward under Condition 3(b) through the operation of a Business Day Convention in circumstances which were not reasonably foreseeable by the Issuer, the relevant Payment Day shall be the first Payment Day after the Interest Payment Date as so brought forward.

### (e) Interpretation of Principal

Any reference in these Conditions to principal in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable:

- (i) the amount at which each Note will be redeemed on the Maturity Date of the Notes ("Final Redemption Amount");
- (ii) the redemption amount in respect of Notes payable on redemption for taxation reasons or following an Event of Default ("Early Redemption Amount");
- (iii) the Optional Redemption Amount(s) (if any) of the Notes;

- (iv) in relation to Instalment Notes, the Instalment Amounts;
- (v) in relation to Zero Coupon Notes, the Amortised Face Amount (as defined in Condition 7 (e)(iii)); and
- (vi) any premium and any other amounts (other than interest) which may be payable by the Issuer under or in respect of the Notes.

## 7 Redemption and Purchase

# (a) At Maturity

Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as specified below, each Note will be redeemed by the Issuer at its Final Redemption Amount or, in the case of an Instalment Note, at its final Instalment Amount, specified in the applicable Final Terms in the relevant Specified Currency on the Maturity Date.

Save as specified in the applicable Final Terms, if the Italian Certificates are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, the following provisions shall apply and any other Condition providing otherwise with respect thereto shall not apply.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, each Series of Italian Certificates will be redeemed on the Maturity Date, without any prior notice having to be delivered by the relevant Italian Certificateholder. Redemption of the Italian Certificates in accordance with this Condition 7(a) shall be without any separate charge to such Italian Certificateholder.

Each Italian Certificateholder may renounce the redemption at Maturity Date, in whole or in part, by delivering a renouncement notice (the "**Renouncement Notice**") that must be sent via fax to and received by the Paying Agent and/or any additional Paying Agent specified in the applicable Final Terms by no later than 10.00 CET (or such other time as may be specified in the Final Terms) on the Renouncement Notice Date indicated in the applicable Final Terms.

The Renouncement Notice shall specify:

- (i) the Series, the ISIN code and the number of Italian Certificates held by the Italian Certificateholder;
- (ii) the number of Italian Certificates which must be equal to the Minimum Transferable Amount specified in the applicable Final Terms or an integral multiple thereof in respect of which the Renouncement Notice is given by the Italian Certificateholder;
- (iii) the number of the account of the Italian Certificateholder where the Italian Certificate(s) is/are that is the subject of the Renouncement Notice is/are held; and
- (iv) name, address and telephone and fax number of the Italian Certificateholder.

A form of the Renouncement Notice will be attached to the Final Terms and available from the Paying Agent.

The Renouncement Notice shall be deemed received by the Paying Agent at the time indicated on the facsimile transmission report.

An incomplete Renouncement Notice or a Renouncement Notice which has not been timely sent, will be deemed void and ineffective. Any assessment relating to the validity, both from a substantial and a

formal perspective, of the Renouncement Notice will be performed by the relevant Paying Agent and will be final and binding for both the Global Issuer and the Italian Certificateholder. Any Renouncement Notice which, in accordance with the above, is deemed to be incomplete will be considered void and ineffective.

In the event that such Renouncement Notice is subsequently amended in such a way that is satisfactory to the Paying Agent, such Renouncement Notice, as amended, will be deemed as a new Renouncement Notice filed at the time such amendment is received by the Paying Agent.

When the Paying Agent deems the Renouncement Notice to be invalid or incomplete, the said Paying Agent undertakes to notify such invalidity or incompleteness to the relevant Italian Certificateholder as soon as practicable.

The Italian Certificateholder, by way of sending the Renouncement Notice, irrevocably exercises the right to waive the redemption at the Maturity Date of the relevant Italian Certificates. If a duly completed Renouncement Notice is delivered prior to the Renouncement Notice Date, the relevant Italian Certificateholder will not be entitled to receive any amounts payable by the Global Issuer in respect of the relevant Italian Certificates and the Global Issuer shall have no further liability in respect of such Italian Certificates. Renouncement Notices may not be withdrawn after their receipt by the Paying Agent. After a Renouncement Notice is sent, the Italian Certificates to which if refers may no longer be transferred.

# (b) Redemption for Tax Reasons (Tax Call)

If the Issuer or, if the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee is called, the Guarantor, on the occasion of the next payment due in respect of the Notes, or the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee, would be required to withhold or account for tax in respect of the Notes, then the Issuer shall forthwith give notice of such circumstance to Noteholders. In such event, the Issuer may, but shall not be obliged to, on giving not more than 30 nor less than 5 days' notice to the Noteholders (or such other period of notice as is specified in the applicable Final Terms), and, upon expiry of such notice, redeem all but not some of the Notes at their Early Redemption Amount.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any of the taxes referred to above arises (i) by reason of any Noteholder's connection with any particular jurisdiction otherwise than by reason only of the holding of any Note or receiving or being entitled to principal or interest in respect thereof or (ii) by reason of the failure by the relevant Noteholder to comply with any applicable procedures required to establish non-residence or other similar claim for exemption from such tax, then, to the extent it is able to do so, the Issuer shall deduct such taxes from the amounts payable to such Noteholder and all other Noteholders shall receive the due amounts payable to them.

#### (c) Redemption at the Option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)

If Issuer Call is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may, having given:

- (i) not less than 5 nor more than 30 days' notice (or such other period of notice as is specified in the applicable Final Terms) to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8; and
- (ii) not less than 1 day before the giving of the notice referred to in paragraph (i) above, notice to the Agent,

(both of which notices shall be irrevocable) redeem all or some only of the Notes then outstanding on the Optional Redemption Date(s) and at the Optional Redemption Amount(s) specified in the applicable Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the Optional Redemption Date(s). In respect of Finnish or Swedish Notes, the notice shall, in each case, also specify the closed period for the purposes of Condition 7 (*j*).

Any such redemption must be of a nominal amount not less than the Minimum Redemption Amount (if any) or not more than the Maximum Redemption Amount (if any), in each case as specified in the applicable Final Terms. In the case of a partial redemption of Notes, the Notes to be redeemed ("Redeemed Notes") will be selected individually by lot, in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, and in accordance with the rules of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Clearstream, Frankfurt (to be reflected in the records of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Clearstream, Frankfurt as either a pool factor or a reduction in nominal amount, at their discretion) and/or Euroclear Netherlands and/or, as the case may be, DTC, in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by a global Note, not more than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption (or such other period as is specified in the applicable Final Terms) (such date of selection being hereinafter called the "Selection Date"). In the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, a list of the serial numbers of such Redeemed Notes will be published in accordance with Condition 8 not less than 5 days prior to the date fixed for redemption.

The aggregate nominal amount of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes shall bear the same proportion to the aggregate nominal amount of all Redeemed Notes as the aggregate nominal amount of definitive Notes outstanding bears to the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes outstanding, in each case on the Selection Date, provided that such first mentioned nominal amount shall, if necessary, be rounded downwards to the nearest integral multiple of the Specified Denomination, and the aggregate nominal amount of Redeemed Notes represented by a global Note shall be equal to the balance of the Redeemed Notes. No exchange of the relevant global Note will be permitted during the period from and including the Selection Date to and including the date fixed for redemption pursuant to this paragraph (c) and notice to that effect shall be given by the Issuer to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 at least five days prior to the Selection Date. In respect of a partial redemption of Finnish Notes, the notice shall also specify the Finnish Notes or amounts of the Finnish Notes to be redeemed and the closed period for the purposes of the second paragraph of Condition 7 (j) in respect of the relevant Finnish Notes and the procedures for partial redemption laid down in the then applicable Finnish CSD Rules will be observed. In respect of a partial redemption of Swedish Notes, the notice shall also specify the Swedish Notes or amounts of the Swedish Notes to be redeemed and the closed period for the purposes of the second paragraph of Condition 7 (j) in respect of the relevant Swedish Notes and the procedures for partial redemption laid down in the then applicable Swedish CSD Rules will be observed.

#### (d) Redemption at the Option of the Noteholders (Investor Put)

If Investor Put is specified in the applicable Final Terms, upon the holder of any Note giving to the Issuer in accordance with Condition 8 not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice (or such other period of notice as is specified in the applicable Final Terms) (which notice shall be irrevocable), the Issuer will, upon the expiry of such notice, redeem, subject to, and in accordance with, the terms specified in the applicable Final Terms, in whole (but not in part), such Note on the Optional Redemption Date and at the Optional Redemption Amount specified in the applicable Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the Optional Redemption Date.

To exercise the right to require redemption of this Note the holder of this Note must, if this Note is in registered form and held through DTC or in definitive form and held outside Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Clearstream, Frankfurt, or, if applicable, Euroclear Netherlands, deliver at the specified office of any Paying Agent, any Transfer Agent or, as the case may be, the

Registrar at any time during normal business hours of such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Registrar falling within the notice period, a duly signed and completed notice of exercise in the form, with respect to the Italian Bonds and the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, attached to the Final Terms, and otherwise in the form (for the time being current) obtainable from the specified office of any Paying Agent, any Transfer Agent or Registrar (a "Put Notice") and in which the holder must specify a bank account (or, if payment is required to be made by cheque, an address) to which payment is to be made under this paragraph (d) accompanied by this Note or evidence satisfactory to the Paying Agent concerned that this Note will, following delivery of the Put Notice, be held to its order or under its control. If this Note is represented by a global Bearer Note or is in definitive form and held through Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt, or, if applicable, Euroclear Netherlands, to exercise the right to require redemption of this Note, the holder of this Note must, within the notice period concerned, give notice of such exercise in accordance with the standard procedures of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt or, if applicable, Euroclear Netherlands (which may include notice being given on his instruction by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, or any common depositary for them, Clearstream, Frankfurt or, if applicable, Euroclear Netherlands, to the Agent by electronic means), in a form acceptable to Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt or, if applicable, Euroclear Netherlands from time to time and, at the same time, present or procure the presentation of the relevant Global Bearer Note to the Agent for notation accordingly. In respect of Finnish Notes and Swedish Notes, the Put Notice shall not take effect against the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer, as applicable, before the date on which the relevant Finnish Notes or Swedish Notes have been transferred to the account designated by the Finnish Issuing Agent or Swedish Issuing Agent and blocked for further transfer by the Finnish Issuing Agent or Swedish Issuing Agent (such date will be the first date of a closed period for the purposes of Condition 7(j).

Any Put Notice given by a holder of any Note or any Note issued by the Americas Issuer pursuant to this paragraph (d) shall be irrevocable except where prior to the due date of redemption an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing in which event such holder, at its option, may elect by notice to the Americas Issuer to withdraw the notice given pursuant to this paragraph and instead to declare such Note forthwith due and payable pursuant to Condition 11.

## (e) Early Redemption Amounts

For the purpose of paragraph (b) above, paragraph (j) below and Condition 11, each Note will be redeemed at the Early Redemption Amount calculated as follows:

- (i) in the case of a Note with a Final Redemption Amount equal to its nominal amount, at the Final Redemption Amount thereof, together with interest (if any) accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption; or
- (ii) in the case of a Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note or a Note to which paragraph (iv) below applies but including an Instalment Note) with a Final Redemption Amount which is or may be less or greater than its nominal amount or which is payable in a Specified Currency other than that in which the Notes are denominated, at the amount specified in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such amount is so specified in the applicable Final Terms, at its nominal amount, together in each case with interest (if any) accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption; or
- (iii) in the case of a Zero Coupon Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note to which paragraph (iv) below applies), at an amount (the "Amortised Face Amount") equal to the sum of:

- (A) the Reference Price; and
- (B) the product of the Accrual Yield (compounded annually) being applied to the Reference Price from (and including) the Issue Date of the first Tranche of Notes to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption or (as the case may be) the date upon which such Note becomes due and payable.

Where such calculation is to be made for a period which is not a whole number of years, it shall be made (A) in the case of a Zero Coupon Note other than a Zero Coupon Note payable in euro, on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 months of 30 days each or (B) in the case of a Zero Coupon Note payable in euro, on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed divided by 365 (or, if any of the days elapsed falls in a leap year, the sum of (x) the number of those days falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (y) the number of those days falling in a non-leap year divided by 365) or (in either case) on such other calculation basis as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms; or

(iv) in the case of a Note for which the applicable Final Terms provide for the Early Redemption Amount to be equal to the Fair Market Value of the Note, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Early Redemption Amount in its discretion by determining the fair market value of the Note two Business Days (or such other period as is specified in the applicable Final Terms) prior to (x) the date fixed for redemption or (y) (as the case may be) the date upon which such Note becomes due and payable (unless specified otherwise in the Final Terms, taking into account the cost to the Issuer of amending or liquidating any financial instruments or transactions entered into by the Issuer in connection with the Note, together with any costs, expenses, fees or taxes incurred by the Issuer in respect of any such financial instruments or transactions) and provided that such costs, expenses, fees or taxes shall not be taken into account with respect to the Italian Bonds and the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market).

# (f) Purchases

The Issuer, the Guarantor or any of its subsidiaries may at any time purchase Notes (provided that, in the case of definitive Notes, all unmatured Coupons, Talons and Receipts appertaining thereto are purchased therewith) at any price in the open market or otherwise. Such Notes may be held, re-issued, resold or, at the option of the Issuer or the Guarantor (as the case may be), surrendered to any Paying Agent for cancellation.

# (g) Cancellation

All Notes which are redeemed will forthwith be cancelled (together with all unmatured Coupons, Talons and Receipts attached thereto or surrendered therewith at the time of redemption). All Notes so cancelled and the Notes purchased and cancelled pursuant to paragraph (f) above (together with all unmatured Coupons, Talons and Receipts cancelled therewith) shall be forwarded to the Agent and cannot be re-issued or resold.

#### (h) Late Payment on Zero Coupon Notes

If the amount payable in respect of any Zero Coupon Note upon redemption of such Zero Coupon Note pursuant to paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d) above or, upon its becoming due and repayable as provided in Condition 11, is improperly withheld or refused, the amount due and payable in respect of such Zero Coupon Note shall be the amount calculated as provided in paragraph (e)(iii) above as

though the references therein to the date fixed for the redemption or the date upon which such Zero Coupon Note becomes due and payable were replaced by references to the date which is the earlier of:

- (i) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Zero Coupon Note have been paid; and
- (ii) five days after the date on which the full amount of the moneys payable has been received by the Agent and notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8.

#### (i) Redemption by Instalments

If "Redemption by Instalments" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms, unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as specified in this Condition 7, each Note shall be partially redeemed on each date specified in the applicable Final Terms (each an "Instalment Date") at an amount determined by the Calculation Agent equal to the amount specified in the applicable Final Terms in respect of that Instalment Date (the "Instalment Amount") (such Notes being "Instalment Notes"). The outstanding nominal amount of each such Note shall be reduced by the relevant Instalment Amount (or, if such Instalment Amount is calculated by reference to a proportion of the nominal amount of such Note, such proportion) for all purposes with effect from the related Instalment Date, unless payment of the Instalment Amount is improperly held or refused, in which case, such amount shall remain outstanding until the Relevant Date relating to such Instalment Amount. If a Calculation Amount is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms, a partial redemption in accordance with this Condition 7 (i) shall cause the Calculation Amount to be reduced such that the Calculation Amount after such reduction as a proportion of the Calculation Amount prior to such reduction shall equal the proportion that the outstanding nominal amount of a Note after such redemption bears to the outstanding nominal amount of such Note prior to such redemption. For the purposes of determining the Interest Amount (if any) due on any subsequent Interest Payment Date, the Specified Denomination shall be deemed to be reduced by the relevant Instalment Amount.

## (j) Redemption – Other

If "Clean-Up Call" is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms, then the Issuer may at any time, on giving not less than 5 nor more than 30 days' notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 (or such other notice period (if any) as is indicated in the applicable Final Terms), redeem all but not some only of the Notes for the time being outstanding at their Early Redemption Amount if, prior to the date of such notice, 90 per cent. or more in nominal amount of the Notes hitherto issued have been redeemed or purchased and cancelled.

No Noteholder may require the transfer of a Finnish Note or Swedish Note to be registered during the period from (and including) the Record Date in respect of the due date for redemption of such Note and through such due date or during a period which is equivalent to such closed period pursuant to the then applicable Finnish CSD Rules or Swedish CSD Rules respectively.

In addition, the Issuer may (i) at any time, on giving not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice (or such other period of notice as specified in the applicable Final Terms) to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8, redeem the Notes for the time being outstanding on such other terms as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms and (ii) issue Notes which may be redeemed in other circumstances specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, the Final Redemption Amount, each Instalment Amount or the Early Redemption Amount (as the case may be) payable in respect of the

Notes shall be rounded to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention.

Unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, the Final Redemption Amount, each Instalment Amount or the Early Redemption Amount (as the case may be) payable in respect of the Notes shall never be less than zero. If the formula or other method for determining the Final Redemption Amount, an Instalment Amount or the Early Redemption Amount (as the case may be) applicable to the Notes would result in a negative figure, the Final Redemption Amount, such Instalment Amount or the Early Redemption Amount (as the case may be) will be deemed to be zero.

#### 8 Notices

All notices regarding the Bearer Notes shall be published (i) in at least one daily newspaper of wide circulation in The Netherlands and (ii) if and for so long as the Bearer Notes are admitted to trading on the market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange appearing on the list of regulated markets issued by the European Commission and the rules of such exchange so require, in a daily newspaper of general circulation in Luxembourg or on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (www.bourse.lu). It is expected that such publication will be made in Het Financieele Dagblad in The Netherlands and either in a daily newspaper of general circulation in Luxembourg (expected to be the Luxemburger Wort) or on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (www.bourse.lu). Any such notice will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication in all the newspapers and/or on the website in which such publication is required to be made.

All notices to holders of Registered Notes will be valid if mailed to their registered addresses appearing on the register and published and, for so long as the Notes are admitted to trading on the market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange appearing on the list of regulated markets issued by the European Commission in the Official Journal of the European Union and the rules of such exchange so require, either in a daily newspaper of general circulation in Luxembourg (expected to be the *Luxemburger Wort*) or on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (www.bourse.lu). Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the fourth day after the day on which it is mailed.

Until such time as any definitive Notes are issued, there may, so long as the global Note(s) is or are held in its or their entirety on behalf of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt, Euroclear Netherlands and/or DTC, be substituted for such publication in any newspaper or website by the delivery of the relevant notice to Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt, Euroclear Netherlands and/or DTC (as the case may be) for communication by them to the holders of the Notes and, in addition, for so long as any Notes are listed or admitted to trading on a stock exchange and the rules of that stock exchange (or any other relevant authority) so require, such notice will be published in the manner required by the rules of that stock exchange (or such other relevant authority). Any such notice delivered on or prior to 4.00 p.m. (local time) on a business day in the city in which it is delivered will be deemed to have been given to the holders of the Notes on such business day. A notice delivered after 4.00 p.m. (local time) on a business day in the city in which it is delivered will be deemed to have been given to the holders of the Notes on the next following business day in such city.

Notices to be given by any holder of the Notes shall be in writing and given by lodging the same, together with the relative Note or Notes, with the Agent. Whilst any of the Notes are represented by a global Note, such notice may be given by any holder of a Note to the Agent and/or Registrar via Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt or DTC, as the case may be, in such manner as the Agent and/or Registrar and Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt or DTC, as the case may be, may approve for this purpose.

In the case of Australian Domestic Instruments, the following provisions shall apply in lieu of any provisions of this Condition 8 which are inconsistent with the following provisions. Notices regarding Australian Domestic Instruments shall be published in a leading daily newspaper of general circulation in Australia. It is expected that such notices will normally be published in *The Australian Financial Review*. Any such notice will be deemed to have been given to the Noteholders on the date of such publication.

#### 9 Taxation

Neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor shall be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty, withholding or other payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer, presentation or surrender for payment or enforcement of any Note or the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee and all payments made by the Issuer and the Guarantor shall be made subject to any such tax, duty, withholding or other payment which may be required to be made, paid, withheld or deducted.

## Condition relating to Section 871(m) Withholding and FATCA

Notwithstanding any other provision in these Conditions, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall be permitted to withhold or deduct any amounts imposed or required (i) pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, as amended (the "Code"), any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof, any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b) of the Code, or any fiscal or regulatory legislation, rules or practices adopted pursuant to any intergovernmental agreement entered into in connection with the implementation of such Sections of the Code (or any fiscal or regulatory legislation implementing such an intergovernmental agreement) (a "FATCA Withholding"); or (ii) pursuant to Section 871(m) of the Code (a "Section 871(m) Withholding"). Neither the Issuer nor any other person will be required to pay additional amounts to the Noteholders in respect of Section 871(m) Withholding or FATCA Withholding.

### 10 Prescription

Claims against the Issuer and/or the Guarantor for payments in respect of the Notes, Receipts and Coupons will become void unless made within a period of five years of the date on which such payment first becomes due.

There shall not be included in any Coupon sheet issued on exchange of a Talon any Coupon the claim for payment in respect of which would be void pursuant to this Condition 10 or Condition 6(b) or any Talon which would be void pursuant to Condition 6(b).

Claims against the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer for payment of principal, interest and/or any other amount payable in respect of the Norwegian Notes or the Swedish Notes shall be prescribed and become void unless made within a period of five years of the date on which such payment first becomes due.

## 11 Events of Default relating to Notes

- (a) If any one or more of the following events (each an "Event of Default") shall have occurred and be continuing in respect of Notes issued by the Global Issuer:
  - (i) default is made for more than 30 days in the payment of interest or principal in respect of the Notes; or
  - (ii) the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Notes and such failure has continued for the period of 60 days next following the service on the Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or

- (iii) the Issuer is declared bankrupt (failliet verklaard) or granted a moratorium (surseance van betaling); or
- (iv) a declaration in respect of the Issuer is made to apply the emergency regulation (noodregeling) under Chapter 3, Section 3.5.5.1 of the Dutch Financial Supervision Act (Wet op het financial toezicht); or
- (v) an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding-up or liquidation of the Issuer unless this is done in connection with a merger, consolidation or other form of combination with another company, the terms of which merger, consolidation or combination (A) have the effect of the emerging or such other surviving company assuming all obligations contracted for by the Issuer in connection with the Notes or (B) have previously been approved by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders.

# (b) If any one or more of the following events (each an "Event of Default") shall have occurred and be continuing in respect of Notes issued by the Americas Issuer:

- (i) default is made for more than 30 days in the payment of interest or principal in respect of the Notes; or
- (ii) the Issuer or the Guarantor fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Notes and such failure has continued for the period of 60 days next following the service on the Issuer or the Guarantor of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (iii) the Issuer is declared bankrupt (failliet verklaard) or granted a moratorium (surseance van betaling); or
- (iv) the Guarantor is declared bankrupt, the Guarantor is granted a moratorium or a declaration in respect of the Guarantor is made to apply the emergency regulation (noodregeling) under Chapter 3, Section 3.5.5.1 of the Dutch Financial Supervision Act (Wet op het financial toezicht); or
- (v) an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding-up or liquidation of the Issuer or the Guarantor unless this is done in connection with a merger, consolidation or other form of combination with another company, the terms of which merger, consolidation or combination (A) have the effect of the emerging or such other surviving company assuming all obligations contracted for by the Guarantor in connection with the Notes or the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee or (B) have previously been approved by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders; or
- (vi) the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee is not (or is claimed by the Guarantor not to be) in full force and effect.

# (c) If any one or more of the following events (each an "Event of Default") shall have occurred and be continuing in respect of Notes issued by the Australian Issuer:

- (i) default is made for more than 30 days in the payment of interest or principal in respect of the Notes; or
- (ii) the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Notes and such failure has continued for the period of 60 days next following the service on the Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or

(iii) the Issuer becomes insolvent or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due (within the meaning of the Corporations Act 2001 of Australia),

then any holder of such Notes may, by written notice to the Issuer and, where the Issuer is the Americas Issuer, the Guarantor, at the specified office of the Agent, effective upon the date of receipt thereof by the Agent, declare the Note held by the holder to be forthwith due and payable whereupon the same shall become forthwith (or in the case of Finnish Notes, the following business day or, in the case of Swedish Notes, on such later date on which the relevant Notes have been transferred to the account designated by the Swedish Issuing Agent and blocked for further transfer by the Swedish Issuing Agent (such date will be the first date of a closed period for the purposes of the second paragraph of Condition 7 (*j*))) due and payable at the Early Redemption Amount (as described in Condition 7 (*e*), together with accrued interest (if any) to the date of repayment), without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, provided that the right to declare Notes due and payable shall terminate if the situation giving rise to it has been cured before the relevant notice has become effective.

# 12 Transfer and Exchange of Registered Notes and Replacement of Notes, Receipts and Coupons

For the avoidance of doubt, this Condition 12 shall not apply in respect of Australian Domestic Instruments.

Registered Notes of each Tranche sold outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") will be represented by a permanent global Note in registered form, without interest coupons (the "Reg. S Global Note") and Registered Notes of each Tranche sold inside the United States to qualified institutional buyers ("QIBs") (within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("Rule 144A")) in reliance on Rule 144A or to other U.S. persons in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act will be represented by a permanent restricted global Note in registered form, without interest coupons (the "Restricted Global Note" and, together with the Reg. S Global Note, the "Registered Global Notes"). Registered Notes which are represented by a Registered Global Note will be exchangeable and transferable only in accordance with the rules and operating procedures for the time being of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be (the "Applicable Procedures").

Owners of beneficial interests in the Reg. S Global Note may transfer such interests, or may exchange such interests for either beneficial interests in the Restricted Global Note or Registered Notes in definitive form, and owners of beneficial interests in the Restricted Global Note may transfer such interests, or may exchange such interests for either beneficial interests in the Reg. S Global Note or Registered Notes in definitive form, in each case subject as provided below to the provisions of the relative Registered Global Note and to the Applicable Procedures. In addition, Registered Notes in definitive form issued in exchange for beneficial interests in the Reg. S Global Note may be exchanged for beneficial interests in the Restricted Global Note, subject as provided below and to the Applicable Procedures. Registered Notes in definitive form may also be transferred as provided below.

In the case of Registered Notes in definitive form issued in exchange for interests in the Restricted Global Note, such Registered Notes in definitive form shall bear the legend set forth on the Restricted Global Note (the "Legend"). Upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Registered Notes bearing the Legend, or upon specific request for removal of the Legend, the Issuer shall deliver only Registered Notes that bear such Legend or shall refuse to remove such Legend, as the case may be, unless there is delivered to the Issuer such satisfactory evidence as may reasonably be required by the Issuer, which may include an opinion of U.S. counsel, that neither the Legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure compliance with the provisions of the Securities Act.

Interests in the Reg. S Global Note and the Restricted Global Note will be exchangeable for Registered Notes in definitive form if (i) Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg or DTC, as the case may be, notifies the Issuer that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary for such registered global Note, (ii) if applicable, DTC ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act or either Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or announces its intention permanently to cease business, and a successor depositary or alternative clearing system satisfactory to the Issuer and the Agent is not available, (iii) an Event of Default (as defined in Condition 11) has occurred and is continuing with respect to such Notes or (iv) a written request for one or more Registered Notes in definitive form is made by a holder of a beneficial interest in a registered global Note; provided that in the case of (iv) such written notice or request, as the case may be, is submitted to the Registrar by the beneficial owner not later than 60 days prior to the requested date of such exchange and the Applicable Procedures are followed. Upon the occurrence of any of the events described in the preceding sentence, the Issuer will cause the appropriate Registered Notes in definitive form to be delivered.

If a holder of a beneficial interest in the Reg. S Global Note deposited with the custodian in the United States wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Reg. S Global Note for an interest in the Restricted Global Note, or to transfer its interest in such Reg. S Global Note to a person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of a Registered Note in definitive form, such holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of the Registrar in the United States, exchange or cause the exchange, or transfer or cause the transfer of such interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the Restricted Global Note upon compliance with the transfer requirements of the Registrar in the United States and certification to the effect that (i) the exchange or transfer of such interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Registered Notes under U.S. law and pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, where applicable, or (ii) such exchange or transfer has been made to a person which the transferor reasonably believes to be a QIB and is obtaining such beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, in the case of the exchange of an interest in the Reg. S Global Note for an interest in the Restricted Global Note.

Transfers between participants in DTC will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Applicable Procedures and will be settled in same-day funds. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Applicable Procedures.

Transfers by the owner of a beneficial interest in the Restricted Global Note to a transferee who takes delivery of such interest through the Reg. S Global Note will be made only upon receipt by the Registrar of a written certification from the transferor to the effect that such transfer is being made in accordance with Regulation S or, if available, that the interest in the Note being transferred is not a "restricted security" within the meaning of Rule 144 under the Securities Act. Investors holding a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note who propose any such transfer must notify the Registrar and, subject to compliance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement, the Registrar shall cause the transferor interest in the Restricted Global Note to be reduced in an amount equal to the aggregate nominal amount of Notes being transferred and shall take such other action as appropriate to register the transfer of the Notes to or for the account of the purchaser. The Issuer shall not permit any such transfers unless there is delivered to the Issuer such satisfactory evidence as may reasonably be required by the Issuer, which may include an opinion of U.S. counsel that such transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act; provided, however, that the restriction in this sentence shall not apply to any transfers of an interest in a Note pursuant to Regulation S or of an interest in a Note which does not constitute a restricted security, within the meaning of Rule 144 under the Securities Act.

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Agency Agreement, a Registered Note in definitive form may be transferred in whole or in part (in the nominal amounts set out in the applicable Final Terms) by the holder or holders surrendering the Registered Note for registration of the transfer of the

Registered Note (or the relevant part of the Registered Note) at the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent (who will, as soon as practicable, forward such surrendered Registered Note to the Registrar and will give to the Registrar all relevant details to enable it to process the transfer), with the form of transfer thereon duly executed by, or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer and the Registrar duly executed by the holder or holders thereof or its or their attorney or attorneys duly authorised in writing and upon the Registrar, after due and careful enquiry, being satisfied with the documents of title and the identity of the person making the request and subject to such reasonable regulations as the Issuer and the Registrar may prescribe, including any restrictions imposed by the Issuer on transfers of Registered Notes originally sold to a U.S. person. In addition, if the Registered Note in definitive form being exchanged or transferred contains a Legend, additional certificates, to the effect that such exchange or transfer is in compliance with the restrictions contained in such Legend, may be required. Subject as provided above, the Registrar will, within three business days of receipt by it (being for this purpose a day on which banks are open for business in the city where the specified office of the Registrar is located) of the request (or such longer period as may be required to comply with any applicable fiscal or other laws or regulations), authenticate and deliver at its specified office to the transferee or (at the risk of the transferee) send by mail to such address as the transferee may request a new Registered Note in definitive form of a like aggregate nominal amount to the Registered Note (or the relevant part of the Registered Note) transferred. In the case of the transfer of part only of a Registered Note in definitive form, a new Registered Note in definitive form in respect of the balance of the Registered Note not transferred will be so authenticated and delivered or (at the risk of the transferor) sent to the transferor.

Exchanges or transfers by a holder of a Registered Note in definitive form to a transferee who takes delivery of such Note through a Registered Global Note will be made no later than 60 days after the receipt by the Registrar of the Registered Note in definitive form to be so exchanged or transferred and only in accordance with the Applicable Procedures, and, if applicable, upon receipt by the Registrar of a written certification from the transferor.

In the event of a partial redemption of Notes under Condition 7(c), the Issuer shall not be required:

- (a) to register the transfer of Registered Notes (or parts of Registered Notes) during the period beginning on the 65th day before the date of the partial redemption and ending on the day on which notice is given specifying the serial numbers of Notes called (in whole or in part) for redemption (both inclusive); or
- (b) to register the transfer of any Registered Note, or part of a Registered Note, called for partial redemption.

The costs and expenses of effecting any exchange or registration of transfer pursuant to the foregoing provisions (except for the expenses of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and, if the Issuer shall so require, for the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in relation thereto which will be borne by the Noteholder) will be borne by the Issuer. Registered Notes may not be exchanged for interests in Global Bearer Notes or definitive Global Notes.

If any Note (including a global Note), Receipt or Coupon is mutilated, defaced, stolen, destroyed or lost, it may be replaced at the specified office of the Paying Agent in Luxembourg, in the case of Bearer Notes, Receipts or Coupons, or the Registrar in New York City, in the case of Registered Notes, on payment by the claimant of such costs and expenses as may be incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Notes, Receipts or Coupons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

## 13 Agent and Paying Agents, Transfer Agents and Registrar

For the avoidance of doubt, this Condition 13 shall not apply in respect of Australian Domestic Instruments.

The names of the initial Agent and the other initial Paying Agents, the initial Registrar and the initial Transfer Agents and their initial specified offices are set out below.

The Issuer and the Guarantor are entitled to vary or terminate the appointment of the Agent, the Registrar, any Paying Agent or any Transfer Agent and/or appoint additional or other Paying Agents or Transfer Agents and/or approve any change in the specified office through which the Agent, the Registrar, any Paying Agent or any Transfer Agent acts, provided that:

- so long as the Notes are listed on any stock exchange, there will at all times be a Paying Agent and a
  Transfer Agent with a specified office in such place as may be required by the rules and regulations of
  the relevant stock exchange;
- (ii) there will at all times be a Paying Agent with a specified office in a city in continental Europe;
- (iii) there will at all times be an Agent;
- (iv) there will at all times be a Paying Agent with a specified office situated outside The Netherlands;
- (v) there will at all times be a Transfer Agent having a specified office in a place approved by the Agent;
- (vi) so long as any of the Registered Global Notes are held through DTC or its nominee, there will at all times be a Transfer Agent with a specified office in New York City;
- (vii) there will at all times be a Registrar with a specified office in New York City and in such place as may be required by the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange;
- (viii) so long as there is any Tranche of Finnish Notes outstanding, there will at all times be a Finnish Registrar duly authorised as a central securities depository under the Finnish Act on the Book-Entry System and Clearing Operations and an issuing agent duly authorised as such under the Finnish CSD Rules (the "Finnish Issuing Agent"), in respect of the relevant Tranche of Finnish Notes;
- (ix) so long as there is any Tranche of Norwegian Notes outstanding, there will at all times be a Register operated by a Norwegian Registrar duly authorised as a central securities depository under the Norwegian Securities Registration Act and an issuing agent duly authorised as such under the Norwegian CSD Rules (the "VPS Manager") (a VPS Account Manager, in Norwegian: Kontofører Utsteder), in respect of the relevant Tranche of Norwegian Notes; and
- (x) so long as there is any Tranche of Swedish Notes outstanding, there will at all times be a Swedish Registrar duly authorised as a central securities depository under the Swedish Financial Instruments Accounts Act and an issuing agent duly authorised as such under the Swedish CSD Rules (the "Swedish Issuing Agent"), in respect of the relevant Tranche of Swedish Notes.

In addition, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in New York City in the circumstances described in the penultimate paragraph of Condition 6 (b) if payments in U.S. dollars are then permitted to be made in the United States. Any variation, termination, appointment or change shall only take effect (other than in the case of insolvency, when it shall be of immediate effect) after not less than 30 nor more than 45 days' prior notice thereof shall have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8.

## 14 Exchange of Talons

For the avoidance of doubt, this Condition 14 shall not apply in respect of Australian Domestic Instruments.

On and after the Interest Payment Date on which the final Coupon comprised in any Coupon sheet matures, the Talon (if any) forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Agent or any other Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet, including (if such further Coupon sheet does not include Coupons to (and including) the final date for the payment of interest due in respect of the Note to which it appertains) a further Talon, subject to the provisions of Condition 10. Each Talon shall, for the purposes of these Conditions, be deemed to mature on the Interest Payment Date on which the final Coupon comprised in the relative Coupon sheet matures.

## 15 Meetings of Noteholders, Modification and Waiver

The Agency Agreement contains provisions for convening meetings of the Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution of a modification of the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons or certain provisions of the Agency Agreement. Such a meeting may be convened by the Issuer, the Guarantor or Noteholders holding not less than 5 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being remaining outstanding. The quorum at any such meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution is one or more persons holding or representing not less than 50 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned meeting one or more persons being or representing Noteholders whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held or represented, except that, at any meeting the business of which includes the modification of certain provisions of the Notes, Receipts or Coupons (including modifying the date of maturity of the Notes or any date for payment of interest thereof, reducing or cancelling the amount of principal or the rate of interest payable in respect of the Notes or altering the currency of payment of the Notes, Receipts or Coupons), the necessary quorum for passing an Extraordinary Resolution will be one or more persons holding or representing not less than 75 per cent., or at any adjourned such meeting not less than a clear majority, in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. An Extraordinary Resolution passed at any meeting of the Noteholders shall be binding on all the Noteholders, whether or not they are present at the meeting, and on all Couponholders.

The Agency Agreement also provides that (i) a resolution in writing signed by or on behalf of the holders of not less than 75 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes outstanding or (ii) consents given by way of electronic consents communicated through the electronic communications systems of the relevant clearing system(s) in accordance with their operating rules and procedures by or on behalf of the holders of not less than 75 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes outstanding shall, in either case, for all purposes be as valid and effective as an Extraordinary Resolution passed at a meeting of Noteholders duly convened and held. Any such resolution in writing may be contained in one document or several documents in the same form, each signed by or on behalf of one or more Noteholders.

The Agent, the Issuer and the Guarantor may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to:

- (i) any modification (except as mentioned above) of the Agency Agreement which is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders; or
- (ii) any modification of the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons, the Agency Agreement or the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee which is of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest or proven error or to comply with mandatory provisions of the law of the jurisdiction in which the Issuer or the Guarantor (as the case may be) is incorporated.

Any such modification shall be binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders and any such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 as soon as practicable thereafter.

In the case of Australian Domestic Instruments, the following provisions shall apply in lieu of any provisions of this Condition 15 which are inconsistent with the following provisions. Meetings of Noteholders may be convened in accordance with the meetings provisions set out in the schedule to the Deed Poll ("Meetings Provisions"). Any such meeting may consider any matter affecting the interests of Noteholders, including, without limitation, the variation of the terms of the Australian Domestic Instruments by the Australian Issuer and the granting of approvals, consents and waivers, and the declaration of an Event of Default.

The Deed Poll may be amended by the parties to it without the consent of any Noteholder for the purposes of curing any ambiguity or correcting or supplementing any defective or inconsistent provision therein, provided that such amendment does not have a materially adverse effect on the interests of the Noteholders. The Deed Poll may otherwise be varied by the Australian Issuer with the approval of the Noteholders by Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Meetings Provisions).

Other than variations to the Conditions made in accordance with this Condition 15, no variation to the Conditions has effect in relation to the Noteholders who hold Australian Domestic Instruments at the date of any amending deed or agreement unless otherwise agreed in writing by Noteholders. A variation will take effect in relation to all subsequent Noteholders.

The Australian Issuer must give notice to the Noteholders of the result of the voting on a resolution within 14 days of such result being known, but failure to do so will not invalidate the resolution. Such notice to Noteholders must be given in the manner provided in Condition 8.

### 16 Further Issues

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders to create and issue further notes having the same terms and conditions as the Notes or the same in all respects save for the amount and date of the first payment of interest thereon, and so that the same shall be consolidated and form a single Series with the outstanding Notes.

### 17 Substitution of the Issuer

This Condition 17 shall not apply to the Australian Issuer.

- (a) The Issuer may, without any further consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders being required, when no payment of principal of or interest on any of the Notes is in default, be replaced and substituted by any directly or indirectly wholly-owned subsidiary of the Global Issuer or, where the Issuer is the Americas Issuer, the Guarantor (the "Substituted Debtor") as principal debtor in respect of the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons, provided that:
  - (i) such documents shall be executed by the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor as may be necessary to give full effect to the substitution (together the "Documents") and (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) pursuant to which the Substituted Debtor shall undertake in favour of each Noteholder and Couponholder to be bound by the Conditions of the Notes and the provisions of the Agency Agreement as fully as if the Substituted Debtor had been named in the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons and the Agency Agreement as the principal debtor in respect of the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons in place of the Issuer and pursuant to which the Global Issuer or, where the Issuer is the Americas Issuer,

the Guarantor shall guarantee, which guarantee shall be unconditional and irrevocable (the "Guarantee" or, where the Issuer is the Americas Issuer, the "Substitution Guarantee"), in favour of each Noteholder and each holder of the relative Receipts and Coupons, the payment of all sums payable in respect of the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons;

- (ii) the Documents shall contain a covenant by the Substituted Debtor and the Global Issuer or, where the Issuer is the Americas Issuer, the Guarantor to indemnify and hold harmless each Noteholder and Couponholder against all liabilities, costs, charges and expenses (provided that, insofar as the liabilities, costs, charges and expenses are taxes or duties, the same arise by reason of a law or regulation having legal effect or being in reasonable contemplation thereof on the date such substitution becomes effective) which may be incurred by or levied against such holder as a result of any substitution pursuant to this Condition 17 and which would not have been so incurred or levied had such substitution not been made (and, without limiting the foregoing, such liabilities, costs, charges and expenses shall include any and all taxes or duties which are imposed on any such Noteholder or Couponholder by any political subdivision or taxing authority of any country in which such Noteholder or Couponholder resides or is subject to any such tax or duty and which would not have been so imposed had such substitution not been made);
- (iii) the Documents shall contain a warranty and representation by the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor (a) that each of the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor has obtained all necessary governmental and regulatory approvals and consents for such substitution and the performance of its obligations under the Documents, and that all such approvals and consents are in full force and effect and (b) that the obligations assumed by each of the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor under the Documents are all valid and binding in accordance with their respective terms and enforceable by each Noteholder;
- (iv) each stock exchange which has Notes listed thereon shall have confirmed that following the proposed substitution of the Substituted Debtor such Notes would continue to be listed on such stock exchange;
- (v) the Substituted Debtor shall have delivered to the Agent or procured the delivery to the Agent of a legal opinion from a leading firm of local lawyers acting for the Substituted Debtor to the effect that the Documents constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substituted Debtor, such opinion to be dated not more than three days prior to the date of substitution of the Substituted Debtor for the Issuer and to be available for inspection by Noteholders and Couponholders at the specified office of the Agent;
- (vi) the Issuer and the Guarantor shall have delivered to the Agent or procured the delivery to the Agent of (a) legal opinion(s) from the internal legal adviser(s) to the Issuer and the Guarantor to the effect that the Documents (including the Guarantee and the Substitution Guarantee) constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of the Issuer and the Guarantor, such opinion(s) to be dated not more than three days prior to the date of substitution of the Substituted Debtor for the Issuer and to be available for inspection by Noteholders and Couponholders at the specified office of the Agent;
- (vii) the Issuer and the Guarantor shall have delivered to the Agent or procured the delivery to the Agent of a legal opinion from a leading firm of English lawyers to the effect that the Documents (including the Guarantee and the Substitution Guarantee) constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor under English law, such opinion to be dated not more than three days prior to the date of substitution of the

- Substituted Debtor for the Issuer and to be available for inspection by Noteholders and Couponholders at the specified office of the Agent;
- (viii) the Substituted Debtor (if not incorporated in England) shall have appointed a process agent as its agent in England to receive service of process on its behalf in relation to any legal action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Notes, the relative Receipts and Coupons and the Documents;
- (ix) in respect of the Finnish Notes, the Finnish Registrar has given its consent to the substitution (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed);
- (x) in respect of the Norwegian Notes, the Norwegian Registrar has given its consent to the substitution; and
- (xi) in respect of the Swedish Notes, the Swedish Registrar has given its consent to the substitution (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- (b) In connection with any substitution effected pursuant to this Condition 17, the Issuer, the Substituted Debtor and the Guarantor need not have any regard to the consequences of any such substitution for individual Noteholders or Couponholders resulting from their being for any purpose domiciled or resident in, or otherwise connected with, or subject to the jurisdiction of, any particular territory and no Noteholder or Couponholder, except as provided in Condition 17(a)(ii), shall be entitled to claim from the Issuer, any Substituted Debtor or the Guarantor under the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax or other consequences arising from such substitution.
- (c) Upon the execution of the Documents as referred to in paragraph (a)(i) above, and subject to the notification as referred to in paragraph (e) below having been given, the Substituted Debtor shall be deemed to be named in the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons as the principal debtor in place of the Issuer and the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons shall thereupon be deemed to be amended to give effect to the substitution. The execution of the Documents shall operate to release the Issuer as issuer from all of its obligations as principal debtor in respect of the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons, save that any claims under the Notes and the relative Receipts and Coupons prior to release shall enure for the benefit of Noteholders and Couponholders.
- (d) The Documents shall be deposited with and held by the Agent for so long as any Notes, Receipts or Coupons remain outstanding and for so long as any claim made against the Substituted Debtor by any Noteholder or Couponholder in relation to the Notes or the relative Receipts and Coupons or the Documents shall not have been finally adjudicated, settled or discharged. The Substituted Debtor, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall acknowledge in the Documents the right of every Noteholder and Couponholder to the production of the Documents for the enforcement of any of the Notes or the relative Receipts and Coupons or the Documents.
- (e) Not later than 15 Business Days after the execution of the Documents, the Substituted Debtor shall give notice thereof to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8.
- (f) With respect to the Italian Bonds and the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, without prejudice to the other provisions of this Condition 17, the Global Issuer shall give at least 30 days' prior notice of such substitution to the Italian Bondholders or the Italian Certificateholders in accordance with Condition 8, indicating where executed copies, or, pending execution, the agreed text, of all documents in relation to the substitution or that might otherwise reasonably be regarded as material to Italian Bondholders or the Italian Certificateholders, shall be available for inspection.

## 18 Governing Law and Jurisdiction

The Notes, the Coupons, the Talons, the Receipts and the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee, and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with them, are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law.

The Courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes that may arise out of or in connection with any Notes, Coupons, Talons or Receipts and accordingly any legal action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with any Notes, Coupons, Talons or Receipts ("**Proceedings**") may be brought in such courts. The Issuer and the Guarantor irrevocably submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of England and waive any objection to Proceedings in such courts on the ground of venue or on the ground that the Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum. These submissions are made for the benefit of each of the holders of the Notes, Coupons, Talons and Receipts and shall not affect the right of any of them to take Proceedings in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other concurrently or not).

The Issuer and the Guarantor irrevocably appoint the Head of Legal for the time being of their London Branch, currently at 8-10 Moorgate, London EC2R 6DA, United Kingdom, as their agent in England to receive, for them and on their behalf, service of process in any Proceedings in England. Such service shall be deemed completed on delivery to such process agent (whether or not it is forwarded to and received by the Issuer or the Guarantor, as the case may be). If for any reason such process agent ceases to be able to act as such or no longer has an address in London, the Issuer and the Guarantor irrevocably agree to appoint a substitute process agent and shall immediately notify Noteholders of such appointment in accordance with Condition 8. Nothing shall affect the right to serve process in any manner permitted by law.

Notwithstanding the provisions set out in the paragraphs above, the legal effects of registration of Finnish Notes in Euroclear Finland will be regulated by the Finnish Act on the Book-Entry System and Clearing Operations, the Finnish Act on Book-Entry Accounts and the Finnish CSD Rules.

Notwithstanding the provisions set out in the paragraphs above, the legal effects of registration of Norwegian Notes in VPS will be regulated by chapter 7 of the Norwegian Securities Registration Act.

In the case of Australian Domestic Instruments, the following provisions shall apply in lieu of any provisions of this Condition 18 which are inconsistent with the following provisions. The Australian Domestic Instruments are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the law in force in New South Wales, Australia.

In the case of Australian Domestic Instruments, the Australian Issuer has irrevocably agreed for the benefit of Noteholders that the courts of New South Wales, Australia and courts of appeal from them are to have non-exclusive jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with the Australian Domestic Instruments, the Deed Poll or the Australian Registry Services Agreement and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Australian Domestic Instruments, the Deed Poll or the Australian Registry Services Agreement (together referred to as "Australian Proceedings") may be brought in such courts.

The Australian Issuer has irrevocably waived any objection which it may have now or hereafter to the laying of the venue of any Australian Proceedings in any such court and any claim that any such Australian Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and has further irrevocably agreed that a judgment in any such Australian Proceedings brought in the courts of New South Wales and courts of appeal from them shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction.

Condition relating to the exercise of Dutch Bail-In Power

With a view to Article 55 of Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council (the "Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive"), the following additional provisions shall apply to Australian Domestic Instruments:

- (a) By acquiring any Australian Domestic Instruments, each holder and beneficial owner of Australian Domestic Instruments or any interest therein acknowledges, agrees to be bound by, and consents to the exercise of, any Dutch Bail-In Power by the relevant resolution authority that may result in the suspension of any payment in respect of the Australian Domestic Instruments for a temporary period and/or the cancellation of all, or a portion, of the principal amount of, or interest on, the Australian Domestic Instruments and/or the conversion of all, or a portion, of the principal amount of, or interest on, the Australian Domestic Instruments into shares or other securities or other obligations of the Australian Issuer or another person, including by means of a variation to the terms of the Australian Domestic Instruments or any expropriation of the Australian Domestic Instruments, in each case, to give effect to the exercise by the relevant resolution authority of such Dutch Bail-In Power. Each holder and beneficial owner of an Australian Domestic Instrument or any interest therein further acknowledges and agrees that the rights of the holders and beneficial owners of the Australian Domestic Instruments are subject to, and will be varied, if necessary, so as to give effect to, the exercise of any Dutch Bail-In Power by the relevant resolution authority.
- For these purposes, a "Dutch Bail-In Power" is any statutory write-down and/or conversion power existing from time to time under any laws, regulations, rules or requirements relating to the resolution of banks, banking group companies, credit institutions and/or investment firms incorporated in The Netherlands in effect and applicable in The Netherlands to the Australian Issuer or other members of the Australian Issuer's Group, including but not limited to any such laws, regulations, rules or requirements that are implemented, adopted or enacted within the context of a European Union directive or regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms (including but not limited to the Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive and the provisions of Regulation (EU) No 806/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council (the "SRM Regulation")) and/or within the context of a Dutch resolution regime under the Dutch Intervention Act and any amendments thereto (which includes any amendments to be made by the forthcoming Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive (Implementation) Act), or otherwise, pursuant to which obligations of a bank, banking group company, credit institution or investment firm or any of its affiliates can be reduced, cancelled and/or converted into shares or other securities or obligations of the obligor or any other person or may be expropriated (and a reference to the "relevant resolution authority" is to any authority with the ability to exercise a Dutch Bail-In Power and a reference to the "Australian Issuer's Group" is to ING Groep N.V. (or any successor entity) and ING Bank N.V. and their respective consolidated subsidiaries).
- (c) Each holder and beneficial owner of Australian Domestic Instruments or any interest therein acknowledges and agrees that no exercise of the Dutch Bail-In Power by the relevant resolution authority with respect to Australian Domestic Instruments shall give rise to a an Event of Default and no principal of, or interest on, the Australian Domestic Instruments shall become due and payable after the exercise of any Dutch Bail-In Power by the relevant resolution authority except as permitted under the laws and regulations of The Netherlands and the European Union applicable to the Australian Issuer. Any repayment of the principal amount and payments of interest on Australian Domestic Instruments made to the holders or beneficial owners of Australian Domestic Instruments after the exercise of the Dutch Bail-In Power in the excess of the amount permitted to be paid by the Australian Issuer under the laws and regulations of The Netherlands and the European Union applicable to the Australian Issuer, shall be null and void, and the holders or beneficial owners of Australian Domestic Instruments who received the payments shall return the received amounts to the Australian Issuer immediately. No holders or beneficial owners of Australian Domestic Instruments shall be entitled, after the exercise of the Dutch Bail-In Power, to set off any of their former rights and entitlements to repayment of the principal amount or payments of interest in respect of Australian Domestic Instruments

against any other obligations which they may owe to the Australian Issuer at that time, to the extent that those rights and entitlements in respect of the Australian Domestic Instruments have been suspended, cancelled, reduced or converted by operation of the Dutch Bail-In Power.

- (d) The Australian Issuer shall provide written notice directly to the Australian Registrar as soon as practicable of any exercise of the Dutch Bail-In Power with respect to the Australian Domestic Instruments by the relevant resolution authority. Upon receipt of such written notice, the Australian Registrar shall give notice to the holders of the Australian Domestic Instruments on behalf of the Australian Issuer as soon as reasonably practicable in accordance with Condition 8 of the Dutch Bail-In Power being exercised. Notwithstanding that the Australian Issuer and/or the Australian Registrar may be delayed in giving or fail to give any of the notices referred to above, such delay or failure shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the Dutch Bail-In Power.
- (e) Each holder and beneficial owner of Australian Domestic Instruments or any interest therein (i) consents to the exercise of any Dutch Bail-In Power as it may be imposed without any prior notice by the relevant resolution authority of its decision to exercise such power with respect to the Australian Domestic Instruments and (ii) authorises, directs and requests (and will take any further action required to so authorise, direct and request) the Austraclear System and any direct participant in the Austraclear System or other clearing system, intermediary or person through which it holds such Australian Domestic Instruments to take any and all necessary action, if required, to implement the exercise of any Dutch Bail-In Power with respect to the Australian Domestic Instruments as it may be imposed, without any further action or direction on the part of such holder and such beneficial owner of Australian Domestic Instruments.
- (f) Each holder and beneficial owner of Australian Domestic Instruments or any interest therein acknowledges and agrees that upon the exercise of any Dutch Bail-In Power by the relevant resolution authority with respect to Australian Domestic Instruments, the Australian Registry Services Agreement shall impose no further duties upon the Australian Registrar with respect to the exercise of any Dutch Bail-In Power. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if, following the completion of the exercise of any Dutch Bail-In Power, Australian Domestic Instruments remain outstanding (such as following a partial write-down of the principal amount of the Australian Domestic Instruments), then the Australian Registrar's duties under the Australian Registry Services Agreement shall remain applicable with respect to the remaining outstanding principal amount of the Australian Domestic Instruments.
- (g) Each holder and beneficial owner of Australian Domestic Instruments or any interest therein acknowledges and agrees that this Condition relating to the exercise of the Dutch Bail-In Power constitutes the entire agreement between the Australian Issuer, each such holder and beneficial owner of Australian Domestic Instruments or any interest therein and any other relevant persons on the subject matter described herein to the exclusion of any other agreements, arrangements or understandings between the parties relating to this subject matter.

## 19 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

No person shall have any right to enforce any term or condition of the Notes, the Coupons, the Talons, the Receipts or the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

## 20 Determinations by the Calculation Agent, the Issuer and/or the Guarantor

Save as follows otherwise from the Conditions in respect of Italian Bonds or Italian Certificates, for the purposes of the Notes, any determinations, calculations or other decisions made by the Calculation Agent, the Issuer and/or the Guarantor under or pursuant to the terms of the Notes shall be made in its/their discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. All such determinations, calculations or other decisions of the Calculation Agent, the Issuer and/or the Guarantor shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on all parties, and none of the Calculation Agent, the Issuer or the Guarantor shall have any liability to any person therefor.

## 21 FX and Benchmark Notes

### (a) FX Notes

The following provisions of this Condition 21(a) shall apply to the Notes if the FX Provisions are specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms.

#### (i) FX Market Disruption Event

If the Issuer determines that an FX Market Disruption Event has occurred or is continuing on a Scheduled Valuation Date or on any other date on which any amount is to be determined by reference to the Primary FX Rate, the calculation of any amount which is to be determined by reference to the Primary FX Rate on such Scheduled Valuation Date or on such other date (for the purposes of this Condition 21(a), the "Relevant FX Amount") shall be postponed until the next Business Day on which there is no FX Market Disruption Event.

If, however, an FX Market Disruption Event is in existence for a consecutive number of calendar days as is specified as Maximum Period of Postponement in the applicable Final Terms following the relevant Scheduled Valuation Date or the other relevant date on which any amount is to be determined by reference to the Primary FX Rate, then the Fallback FX Rate (if one is specified in the applicable Final Terms) on the first Business Day following the expiry of that period shall be used to determine the Relevant FX Amount. However, if the Fallback FX Rate is not available on such Business Day, or if no Fallback FX Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Calculation Agent shall determine the Relevant FX Amount as soon as reasonably possible in its discretion.

#### (ii) Unscheduled Holiday

If the Issuer determines that an Unscheduled Holiday has occurred or is continuing on a Scheduled Valuation Date or on any other date on which any amount is to be determined by reference to the Primary FX Rate, the calculation of the Relevant FX Amount shall be postponed until the next Business Day on which no Unscheduled Holiday occurs, provided that no such postponement shall occur for a period longer than a consecutive number of calendar days as is specified as Maximum Period of Postponement in the applicable Final Terms following such Scheduled Valuation Date or such other date.

If an Unscheduled Holiday is in existence on the day that is the last day of such period following the relevant Scheduled Valuation Date or the other relevant date on which any amount which is to be determined by reference to the Primary FX Rate, then the Primary FX Rate (if available) or the Fallback FX Rate (if the Primary FX Rate is not available and a Fallback FX Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms) on the first day following the expiry of that period that is a Business Day or would have been but for the Unscheduled Holiday shall be used by the Calculation Agent to determine the Relevant FX Amount. However, if neither the Primary FX Rate nor (if a Fallback FX Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms) the Fallback FX Rate is available on such day, the Calculation Agent shall determine the Relevant FX Amount as soon as reasonably possible in its discretion.

#### (iii) Cumulative Events

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in no event shall the period during which either (x) a calculation is postponed due to an Unscheduled Holiday or (y) a calculation is postponed due to an FX Market Disruption Event (or any combination of (x) and (y)) exceed the Maximum Period of Postponement. Accordingly, if, upon the lapse of the Maximum Period of Postponement, an Unscheduled Holiday or FX Market Disruption Event shall have occurred or be continuing, then the Primary FX Rate or (if the Primary FX Rate is not available) the Fallback FX Rate (if one is specified in the applicable Final Terms) on the first Business Day (including any day which would have been a Business Day but for the occurrence of an Unscheduled Holiday) following the expiry of the Maximum Period of Postponement shall be used by the Calculation Agent to determine the Relevant FX Amount. However, if neither the Primary FX Rate nor (if the Primary FX Rate is not available) the Fallback FX Rate (if one is specified in the applicable Final Terms) is available on that Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall determine the Relevant FX Amount as soon as reasonably possible in its discretion.

## (iv) Relevant FX Rate Inappropriate

If, in the determination of the Calculation Agent (acting in its discretion), the Primary FX Rate or Fallback FX Rate used to determine the Relevant FX Amount in accordance with Condition 21(a)(i), (ii) or (iii) above is inappropriate, the Calculation Agent shall determine the Relevant FX Amount as soon as reasonably possible in its discretion.

#### (v) Payment

The Relevant FX Amount will be payable two Business Days (or such other number of Business Days as is specified in the applicable Final Terms) following the day on which it is determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with Condition 21(a)(i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above. For the avoidance of doubt, no additional amounts shall be payable by the Issuer in respect of the postponement of any payment in accordance with this Condition 21(a).

## (b) Benchmark Notes

(i) The following provisions of this Condition 21(b) shall apply to the Notes if the Benchmark Provisions are specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms.

If the Issuer determines that a Benchmark Market Disruption Event has occurred or is continuing on a Scheduled Valuation Date or on any other date on which any amount is to be determined by reference to the Primary Benchmark, then:

(x) if the Relevant Benchmark Amount Postponement Provisions are specified to be applicable in the Final Terms, the calculation of any amount which is to be determined by reference to the Primary Benchmark on such Scheduled Valuation Date (for the purposes of this Condition 21(b), the "Relevant Benchmark Amount") shall be postponed to the next Business Day on which there is no Benchmark Market Disruption Event, unless, on each of the consecutive number of Business Days following such Scheduled Valuation Date or such other date as is specified as Maximum Period of Postponement in the applicable Final Terms, a Benchmark Market Disruption Event occurs. In that case, the Fallback Benchmark (if one is specified in the applicable Final Terms) on the first Business Day following the expiry of that period shall be used to determine the Relevant Benchmark Amount. However, if the Fallback Benchmark is not available on such Business Day, or if no Fallback Benchmark is specified in the

applicable Final Terms, the Relevant Benchmark Amount shall be determined by the Calculation Agent as soon as reasonably possible in its discretion; and

(y) if the Relevant Benchmark Amount Postponement Provisions are not specified to be applicable in the Final Terms, the Relevant Benchmark Amount shall be determined as soon as reasonably possible by the Calculation Agent in its discretion.

#### (ii) Relevant Benchmark Inappropriate

If, in the determination of the Calculation Agent (acting in its discretion), the Primary Benchmark or Fallback Benchmark used to determine the Relevant Benchmark Amount in accordance with Condition 21(b)(i) above is inappropriate, the Calculation Agent shall determine the Relevant Benchmark Amount as soon as reasonably possible in its discretion.

#### (iii) Payment

The Relevant Benchmark Amount will be payable two Business Days (or such other number of Business Days as is specified in the applicable Final Terms) following the day on which such amount is determined. For the avoidance of doubt, no additional amounts shall be payable in respect of the postponement of any payment in accordance with this Condition 21(b).

#### (c) FX Convertibility Event and FX Transferability Event

The following provisions of this Condition 21(c) shall apply to the Notes if the FX Convertibility Event Provisions and/or FX Transferability Event Provisions are specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms.

(i) If (x) the FX Convertibility Event Provisions are specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms and the Issuer determines that an FX Convertibility Event has occurred or is continuing on any date on which the Issuer is required to make any payment in the Relevant Currency in respect of the Notes by the transfer and/or exchange of the Relevant Currency outside or within the Relevant Jurisdiction or (y) the FX Transferability Event Provisions are specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms and the Issuer determines that an FX Transferability Event has occurred or is continuing on any date on which the Issuer is required to make any payment in the Relevant Currency in respect of the Notes by the transfer and/or exchange of the Relevant Currency outside or within the Relevant Jurisdiction, then in either such case the Issuer shall use reasonable endeavours to pay such amount in the Relevant Currency to the Noteholder's Relevant Currency account or, in the absence of such account or in the case of the Noteholder's failure to notify the Issuer of the details of such account in a timely manner, to any other account as the Issuer may determine (including, for the avoidance of doubt, an account which is or may be subject to limitations on conversion and/or repatriation) in which account any such amount shall be held for the benefit of the Noteholder. Payment of any such amount by the Issuer shall discharge the Issuer of its remaining obligations under the Notes in respect of such payment in the Relevant Currency. Should any account be opened by the Issuer for the Noteholder, such account will be opened on the normal terms and conditions of the relevant institution, and, in the event any interest accrues on the amounts held in such account, such interest will be for the benefit of the Noteholder.

Any costs incurred by the Issuer in connection with the opening or maintenance of such account will be borne by the Noteholder, and the Issuer reserves the right to use the funds in such account to pay for such costs. The amount payable by the Issuer to the Noteholder in respect of the Notes shall be reduced by the amount of any such costs incurred by the Issuer. Such right of

set-off is without prejudice to any additional right to claim such costs. In the event that the costs incurred by the Issuer in connection with the opening and/or maintenance of such account exceed the amount payable by the Issuer to the Noteholder in respect of the Notes or the amount held in such account for the Noteholder, the Issuer reserves the right to forego opening or to close such account.

(ii) If the Issuer determines, in its discretion, that any payment due on the Notes cannot, or cannot reasonably, be made following an FX Convertibility Event (if the FX Convertibility Event Provisions are specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms) or FX Transferability Event (if the FX Transferability Event Provisions are specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms), then such payment shall be postponed until the next Payment Day on which such payment can, in the discretion of the Issuer, reasonably be made. For the avoidance of doubt, no additional amounts shall be payable by the Issuer in respect of the postponement of any payment in accordance with this Condition 21(c).

If the Issuer determines, in its discretion, that any payment due on the Notes cannot, or cannot reasonably, be made following an FX Convertibility Event (if the FX Convertibility Event Provisions are specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms) or FX Transferability Event (if the FX Transferability Event Provisions are specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms) for a period of five years (or such other period as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms) from the date on which payment was originally due to be made but for the FX Convertibility Event or the FX Transferability Event, as the case may be, then the Issuer shall be entitled to all amounts in any account opened by it pursuant to Condition 21(c)(i) above, including accrued interest, if any, and no additional amounts shall be payable to the relevant Noteholder.

#### (d) Tax Event

If the Tax Event Provisions are specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms, all payments made under the Notes will be subject to the deductions of any taxes, fees or costs that may be incurred or arise as a result of any Tax Event in relation to the Notes and any transactions associated with them subject to such amendments as may be set out in the applicable Final Terms. The determination of the amount of any such taxes, fees or costs shall be made by the Issuer in its discretion.

## (e) Definitions

The following terms shall have the following meanings when used in this Condition 21:

"Benchmark Market Disruption Event" means any event, beyond the control of the Issuer, as a result of which the Primary Benchmark is not available, or any suspension of, or limitation imposed on trading in, the Primary Benchmark or any event that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Issuer) the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in or obtain market values for the exchange of the Relevant Currency or for transactions in respect of the Primary Benchmark.

"Fallback Benchmark" means the benchmark (if any) specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Fallback FX Rate" means the exchange rate (if any) specified, or determined in the manner specified, in the applicable Final Terms.

"FX Convertibility Event" means, as determined by the Issuer, the occurrence of any of the following: (i) the existence, adoption, enactment, implementation or modification of any rule, regulation or statute by any Governmental Authority, adoption of or change in interpretation thereof or any action whatsoever, which has the effect of imposing any exchange controls, limitations or

restrictions on the convertibility of the Relevant Currency or the Specified Currency to a Permitted Currency or vice versa; (ii) the general unavailability of the Permitted Currency at a spot rate of exchange (applicable to the purchase of a Permitted Currency for the Relevant Currency or the Specified Currency or vice versa) in legal exchange markets officially recognised as such by the government of the Relevant Jurisdiction and in accordance with normal commercial practice; (iii) any action taken by any Governmental Authority with general application to annul, render unenforceable or reduce the amount to be received, or increase the amount to be paid at settlement of spot, forward or European option currency transactions; (iv) the existence, enactment, imposition or extension of any regulation that requires the provision of a notice period to convert the Relevant Currency or the Specified Currency into a Permitted Currency or vice versa; (v) the forced conversion of deposits of the Permitted Currency held inside the Relevant Jurisdiction into the Relevant Currency or the Specified Currency; or (vi) any action taken by any Governmental Authority (or any successor thereto) which has the effect described in sub-paragraph (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v) above on the operations of the Issuer or its associated entities.

"FX Market Disruption Event" means any event, beyond the control of the Issuer, as a result of which the Primary FX Rate is not available, or any suspension of, or limitation imposed on trading in, the Relevant Currency or any event that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Issuer) the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in or obtain market values for the exchange of the Relevant Currency.

"FX Transferability Event" means, as determined by the Issuer, the occurrence of any of the following: the existence, adoption, enactment, implementation or modification of any rule, regulation or statute by any Governmental Authority, adoption of or change in interpretation thereof or any action whatsoever, which has the effect of limiting or restricting the transfer of a Permitted Currency or the Relevant Currency or the Specified Currency in any manner outside the Relevant Jurisdiction or in any manner within the Relevant Jurisdiction, including, but not limited to, between accounts of the Issuer, its related or associated entities and its agents, or between the Issuer and any third party (including any clearing system).

"Governmental Authority" means any *de facto* or *de jure* government (or any agency, instrumentality, ministry or department thereof), court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of financial markets (including the central bank).

"Maximum Period of Postponement" means the period which begins on a Scheduled Valuation Date or on any other date on which any amount is to be determined by reference to the Primary FX Rate and ends on the first calendar day following the period of such number of calendar days or Business Days (as applicable) as is specified in the applicable Final Terms following such Scheduled Valuation Date or such other date.

"Permitted Currency" means (i) the legal tender of any G8 country (these being Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Russia, the United Kingdom and the United States of America, or any country that becomes a member of the G8 if the G8 expands its membership) or (ii) the legal tender of any country which, as of the relevant date, is a member of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development and has a local currency long-term debt rating of either "AAA" assigned to it by Standard & Poor's, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. or any successor to the rating business thereof, "Aaa" assigned to it by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor to the rating business thereof or "AAA" assigned to it by Fitch Ratings or any successor to the rating business thereof.

"Primary Benchmark" means the benchmark specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Primary FX Rate" means the exchange rate specified, or determined in the manner specified, in the applicable Final Terms.

"Relevant Currency" has the meaning set out in the applicable Final Terms.

"Relevant Jurisdiction" has the meaning set out in the applicable Final Terms.

"Scheduled Valuation Date" means each date, if any, specified as such in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such date is not a Business Day, the immediately preceding Business Day, provided that, in the event of an Unscheduled Holiday on a Scheduled Valuation Date, the Scheduled Valuation Date shall be the immediately following Business Day.

"Tax Event" means the existence, enactment, imposition or application of any rule, regulation or law, or modification or change in the interpretation thereof, by any Governmental Authority, including, but not limited to, the tax authority or any other tax collection agency of the Relevant Jurisdiction, which imposes any tax, levy, impost, duty, charge, assessment or fee of any nature with respect to (i) any transactions (including derivatives transactions) related to the Primary FX Rate (if one is specified in the applicable Final Terms) or the Fallback FX Rate (if one is specified in the applicable Final Terms) or the Primary Benchmark (if one is specified in the applicable Final Terms) or the Fallback Benchmark (if one is specified in the applicable Final Terms) or any sovereign or corporate debt or any financial instruments or transactions denominated in the Relevant Currency (together, the "Instruments"), (ii) accounts in which Instruments are or are permitted to be held, (iii) any interest income from Instruments, (iv) any capital gains resulting from the sale or disposition of Instruments, (v) any payment to be made on or under any spot, forward, option or other derivative transaction relating to the Notes, (vi) the remittance of the Relevant Currency or the Specified Currency within or outside of the Relevant Jurisdiction, (vii) the exchange or transfer of the Relevant Currency or the Specified Currency for a Permitted Currency or vice versa within or outside the Relevant Jurisdiction and/or (viii) the receipt, payment, transfer or holding of any amounts under any Instruments or under any hedging transactions associated with the Notes.

"Unscheduled Holiday" means that a day is not a Business Day and the market was not aware of such fact (by means of a public announcement or by reference to other publicly available information) until a time later than after 9.00 a.m. local time in the Unscheduled Holiday Jurisdiction two Business Days prior to the Scheduled Valuation Date.

"Unscheduled Holiday Jurisdiction" has the meaning ascribed to it in the applicable Final Terms.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF INFLATION LINKED NOTES

The terms and conditions applicable to Inflation Linked Notes issued by the Global Issuer shall comprise the Terms and Conditions of the Notes issued by the Global Issuer set out in "General Terms and Conditions of the Notes" above (the "General Conditions") and the additional Terms and Conditions set out below (the "Inflation Linked Conditions"), in each case subject to completion and/or amendment in the applicable Final Terms. In the event of any inconsistency between the General Conditions and the Inflation Linked Conditions set out below, the Inflation Linked Conditions set out below shall prevail. In the event of any inconsistency between (i) the General Conditions and/or the Inflation Linked Conditions and (ii) the Final Terms, the Final Terms shall prevail.

#### 1 Interest

If "Inflation Linked Notes" are specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms the interest payable on each Interest Payment Date shall be calculated in accordance with the following interest payouts (the "Inflation Linked Interest Payouts") (as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms) and the terms of Condition 3 (*Interest*) and Condition 4 (*Rate of Interest for Variable Interest Rate Notes*) of the General Conditions shall apply, as relevant, to these Inflation Linked Interest Payouts are Variable Interest Rate Payouts for the purposes of those conditions:

- (a) Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest
- (b) Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed Interest

The Inflation Linked Interest Payouts are only relevant to Notes for which the applicable Final Terms specify any of the below Inflation Linked Interest Payouts to be applicable. Only the Inflation-linked Interest Payouts specified in the applicable Final Terms to be applicable will be applicable to a particular series of Notes.

#### 1.1 Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest

## (a) Rate of Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

(i) if "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) if (A) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (B) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathit{Min} \left[ \mathit{Cap}(t); \mathit{Max} \left[ \mathit{Floor}(t); [\mathit{Participation} \times \left[ \frac{\mathit{Relevant Level}(t)}{\mathit{Relevant Level}(t-1)} - 1 \right] \times 100\% \right. \\ & + \mathit{Underlying Margin1}(t) \right] \right] + \mathit{Underlying Margin2}(t) \end{aligned}$$

#### (b) Interest Amount

The Interest Amount shall be calculated in accordance with General Condition 3 (c)(iii) (Determination of Rate of Interest and Calculation of Interest Amounts) as though references to "Variable Interest Rate Notes" were to "Inflation Linked Notes".

## 1.2 Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed Interest

## (a) Rate of Interest

The Rate of Interest per Note in respect of each Interest Period(t) ending on but excluding, an Interest Payment Date ("Interest Payment Date(t)") shall be the relevant Rate of Interest (the "Rate of Interest(t)"), calculated in accordance with the following formula:

if "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Fixed Rate Interest Period:

Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)

(ii) if (A) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms or (B) "Fixed Rate Period" is specified as "Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms and the related Interest Period(t) is a Variable Rate Interest Period:

$$[Min \left[ Cap(t); Max \left[ Floor(t); Rate \ of \ Interest(Fixed)(t) \times \left[ \frac{Relevant \ Level(t)}{Initial \ Relevant \ Level} \right] \right] \right]]$$

## (b) Interest Amount

The Interest Amount shall be calculated in accordance with Condition 3 (c)(iii) (Determination of Rate of Interest and Calculation of Interest Amounts) of the General Conditions as though references to "Variable Interest Rate Notes" were to "Inflation Linked Notes".

## 2 Redemption

Subject to any applicable early redemption and/or exercise of put options and/or exercise of call options set forth in the Final Terms not having occurred prior to any applicable date specified therein, on the Maturity Date (subject to the provisions of Condition 5 (*Adjustment*) of these Inflation Linked Conditions) the Issuer shall pay the Final Redemption Amount, which shall be an amount payable per Note (or per Calculation Amount if one is specified to be applicable in the applicable Final Terms) in the Specified Currency determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the provisions of Condition 7(a) (Redemption and Purchase) of the General Conditions or, if applicable, as set forth in accordance with the terms of the applicable Inflation Linked Redemption Payouts specified in the Final Terms.

The following terms (the "Inflation Linked Redemption Payouts") each relate to a different method of calculating the Final Redemption Amount (as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms):

- (a) Inflation Indexed Redemption
- (b) Inflation Indexed with Floor Redemption

The Inflation Linked Redemption Payouts are only relevant to Notes for which the applicable Final Terms specify any of the below Inflation Linked Redemption Payouts to be applicable. Only the Inflation Linked Redemption Payout specified in the applicable Final Terms to be applicable will be applicable to a particular series of Notes.

#### 2.1 Inflation Indexed Redemption

The Final Redemption Amount per Note shall be an amount in the Specified Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

 $CA \times CA \ Factor \times [100\% + Index \ Performance]$ 

## 2.2 Inflation Indexed with Floor Redemption

The Final Redemption Amount per Note shall be an amount in the Specified Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

 $CA \times CA \ Factor \times [100\%] + Min[Inflation \ Cap; \ Max[Inflation \ Floor; \ Index \ Performance] + Redemption \ Margin1]] + Redemption \ Margin2$ 

## 3 Delay in Publication

For the purposes of the Notes, Condition 7 (*Redemption and Purchase*) of the General Conditions shall be amended by the addition of a new Condition 7 (*k*) as follows:

"(k) Delay in Publication

If the Calculation Agent determines that a Delayed Index Level Event has occurred with respect to any Determination Date, then the Index Level with respect to any Reference Month which is to be utilised in any calculation or determination to be made by the Calculation Agent and/or the Issuer with respect to such Determination Date (the "Substitute Index Level") shall be determined by the Calculation Agent as follows:

- (i) if Related Bond is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the Calculation Agent shall determine the Substitute Index Level by reference to the corresponding index level determined under the terms and conditions of the Related Bond; or
- (ii) if (I) Related Bond is specified as not applicable in the applicable Final Terms, or (II) the Calculation Agent is not able to determine a Substitute Index Level under (i) above, the Calculation Agent shall determine the Substitute Index Level by reference to the following formula:

Substitute Index Level = Base Level x (Latest Level/Reference Level).

The Issuer shall promptly give notice to the holders of the Notes in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions of any Substitute Index Level."

## 4 Successor Index

For the purposes of the Notes, Condition 7 (*Redemption and Purchase*) of the General Conditions shall be amended by the addition of a new Condition 7 (*l*) as follows:

"(l) Successor Index

If the Calculation Agent determines that the level of an Index is not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor for two consecutive months and/or the Index Sponsor announces that it will no longer continue to publish or announce the Index and/or the Index Sponsor cancels the Index then the Calculation Agent shall determine a successor index (a "Successor Index") (in lieu of any previously applicable Index) for the purposes of the Notes as follows:

(i) if the Index Sponsor announces that it will no longer publish or announce the Index but that it will be superseded by a replacement Index specified by the Index Sponsor, and the Calculation Agent determines that such replacement Index is calculated using the same or a substantially similar formula or method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, such replacement index shall be designated a "Successor Index";

- (ii) if (i) above does not apply and if Related Bond is specified as applicable in the Final Terms, the successor index (if any) designated pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Related Bond and such successor index shall be designated a "Successor Index"; or
- (iii) if (i) above does apply and if Related Bond is specified as not applicable in the Final Terms or a Related Bond Redemption Event has occurred, the Calculation Agent, acting in good faith with an aim to preserve the economic equivalent of the obligations of the Issuer with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, shall determine an appropriate alternative index and such index will be deemed a "Successor Index"; or
- (iv) if the Calculation Agent determines that neither (i), (ii) nor (iii) above apply, there will be deemed to be no Successor Index and an Index Cancellation will be deemed to have occurred.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Calculation Agent shall determine the date on which the Successor Index shall be deemed to replace the Index for the purposes of the Notes. Notice of the determination of a Successor Index, the effective date of the Successor Index or the occurrence of an Index Cancellation will be given to holders of the Notes by the Issuer in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions."

## 5 Adjustments

For the purposes of the Notes, Condition 7 of the General Conditions shall be amended by the addition of a new Condition 7 (m) as follows:

"(m) Adjustments and Currency

### (i) Successor Index

If a Successor Index is determined in accordance with this Condition 7 (m) of the General Conditions, the Issuer may make any adjustment or adjustments (without limitation) to the Final Redemption Amount, interest payable under the Notes (if any) and/or any other relevant term of the Notes as the Calculation Agent deems necessary or, in relation to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, as determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith and in accordance with reasonable market practice taking into account the relevant event and in order to preserve the economic equivalent of the obligations of the Issuer under such Italian Bonds or Italian Certificates. The Issuer shall give notice to the holders of the Notes of any such adjustment in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions.

### (ii) Substitute Index Level

If the Calculation Agent determines a Substitute Index Level in accordance with Condition 7 (*l*) of the General Conditions, the Issuer may make any adjustment or adjustments (without limitation) to (I) the Substitute Index Level determined in accordance with Condition 7 (*l*) of the General Conditions and/or (II) the Final Redemption Amount, interest payable under the Notes (if any) and/or any other relevant term of the Notes, in each case, as the Calculation Agent acting in good faith with an aim to preserve the economic equivalent of the obligations of the Issuer with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, deems necessary. The Issuer shall give notice to

the holders of the Notes of any such adjustment in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions.

### (iii) Index Level Adjustment Correction

- (I) The first publication or announcement of the Index Level (disregarding estimates) by the Index Sponsor for any Reference Month shall be final and conclusive and, subject to Condition 7 (m)(iii)(II) of the General Conditions, later revisions to the level for such Reference Month will not be used in any calculations, save that in respect of the EUR-All Items-Revised Consumer Price Index, the ESPNational- Revised Consumer Price Index (CPI) and the ESP-Harmonised-Revised Consumer Price Index HCPI, revisions to the Index Level which are published or announced up to and including the day that is two Business Days prior to any relevant Determination Date will be valid and the revised Index Level for the relevant Reference Month will be deemed to be the final and conclusive Index Level for such Reference Month. The Issuer shall give notice to the holders of the Notes of any valid revision in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions.
- (II) If, within thirty days of publication or at any time prior to a Determination Date in respect of which an Index Level will be used in any calculation or determination in respect of such Determination Date, the Calculation Agent determines that the Index Sponsor has corrected the Index Level to correct an error which the Calculation Agent determines is material, the Issuer, acting in good faith and in accordance with reasonable market practice, may make any adjustment to the Final Redemption Amount, interest payable under the Notes (if any) and/or any other relevant term of the Notes as the Calculation Agent, acting in good faith with an aim to preserve the economic equivalent of the obligations of the Issuer with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, deems appropriate as a result of such correction and/or determine the amount (if any) that is payable as a result of that correction. The Issuer shall give notice to the holders of the Notes of any such adjustment and/or amount in accordance with Condition 80f the General Conditions.
- (III) If a Relevant Level is published or announced at any time after the Cut-Off Date in respect of a Determination Date in respect of which a Substitute Index Level was determined, the Calculation Agent, acting in good faith with an aim to preserve the economic equivalent of the obligations of the Issuer with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, may either (A) determine that such Relevant Level shall not be used in any calculation or determination under the Notes and that the Substitute Index Level shall be deemed to be the definitive Index Level for the relevant Reference Month, or (B) request the Issuer to make any adjustment to the Final Redemption Amount, interest payable under the Notes (if any) and/or any other relevant term of the Notes as it deems appropriate as a result of the announcement or publication of the Relevant Level and/or determine the amount (if any) that is payable as a result of such publication or announcement. The Issuer shall give notice to the holders of the Notes of any determination in respect of (A) or (B), together with any adjustment or amount in respect thereof, in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions.

### (iv) Currency

If the Calculation Agent determines that any event occurs affecting the Specified Currency (whether relating to its convertibility into other currencies or otherwise) which the Calculation Agent determines

necessitates an adjustment or adjustments to the Final Redemption Amount, interest payable under the Notes (if any) and/or any other term of the Notes (including the date on which any amount is payable by the Issuer), the Issuer may make such adjustment or adjustments to the Final Redemption Amount, interest payable under the Notes (if any) and/or any other relevant term of the Notes (including the date on which any amount is payable by the Issuer) as the Calculation Agent, acting in good faith and in accordance with reasonable market practice with an aim of neutralising the distorting effects of such events with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, deems necessary. The Issuer shall give notice to the holders of the Notes of any such adjustment in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions.

## (v) Rebasing

If the Calculation Agent determines that the Index has been or will be rebased at any time, the Index as so rebased (the "Rebased Index") will be used for purposes of determining the Index Level from the date of such rebasing; provided, however, that the Issuer may make (A) if Related Bond is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms, any adjustments as are made pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Related Bond, if any, to the past levels of the Rebased Index so that the Rebased Index levels prior to the date of rebasing reflect the same rate of inflation as before the rebasing, and/or (B) if Related Bond is specified as not applicable in the applicable Final Terms or a Related Bond Redemption Event has occurred, the Calculation Agent may make such adjustments to the levels of the Rebased Index so that the Rebased Index levels reflect the same rate of inflation as the Index before it was rebased, and in each case the Issuer may make any adjustment(s) to the Final Redemption Amount, interest payable under the Notes (if any) and/or any other relevant term of the Notes (including the date on which any amount is payable by the Issuer) as the Calculation Agent, acting in good faith and in accordance with reasonable market practice with an aim of neutralising the distorting effects of such events with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, may deem necessary. If the Calculation Agent determines that neither (A) nor (B) above would produce a commercially reasonable result, the Issuer may redeem each Note on a date notified by the Issuer to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions at its fair market value as determined by the Calculation Agent (unless otherwise provided in the applicable Final Terms) as at the date of redemption taking into account the rebasing, less, unless specified otherwise in the Final Terms, the cost to the Issuer of amending or liquidating any financial instruments or transactions entered into by the Issuer in connection with the Note, together with any costs, expenses, fees or taxes incurred by the Issuer in respect of any such financial instruments or transactions and provided further that such costs, expenses, fees or taxes shall not be deducted with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market. Notice of any adjustment, redemption of the Notes or determination pursuant to this paragraph shall be given to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions.

## (vi) Index Modification

(I) If, on or prior to the Cut-Off Date in respect of any Determination Date, the Calculation Agent determines that an Index Modification has occurred the Issuer may (A) if Related Bond is specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms, make any adjustments to the Index, any Index Level and/or any other relevant term of the Notes (including, without limitation, the Final Redemption Amount, interest payable under the Notes (if any) and/or any other term of the Notes (including the date on which any amount is payable by the Issuer)), consistent with any

adjustments made to the Related Bond as the Calculation Agent, acting in good faith with an aim to preserve the economic equivalent of the obligations of the Issuer with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, deems necessary, or (B) if Related Bond is specified as not applicable in the Final Terms or a Related Bond Redemption Event has occurred, make only those adjustments to the Index, any Index Level and/or any other term of the Notes (including, without limitation, the Final Redemption Amount, interest payable under the Notes (if any) and/or any other term of the Notes (including the date on which any amount is payable by the Issuer)), as the Calculation Agent, acting in good faith and in accordance with reasonable market practice with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, deems necessary for the modified Index to continue as the Index and to account for the economic effect of the Index Modification.

(II) If the Calculation Agent determines that an Index Modification has occurred at any time after the Cut-Off Date in respect of any Determination Date, the Issuer, acting in good faith and in accordance with reasonable market practice with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market, may determine either to ignore such Index Modification for the purposes of any calculation or determination made by the Calculation Agent with respect to such Determination Date, in which case the relevant Index Modification will be deemed to have occurred with respect to the immediately succeeding Determination Date such that the provisions of (I) above will apply, or, notwithstanding that the Index Modification has occurred following the Cut-Off Date, to make any adjustments as the Calculation Agent deems fit in accordance with (I) above.

#### (vii) Change in Law

If applicable in the applicable Final Terms, if the Calculation Agent determines that a Change in Law has occurred, the Issuer may redeem each Note on the date notified by the Issuer to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions at its fair market value (as determined by the Calculation Agent) as at the date of redemption taking into account the Change in Law, less, unless specified otherwise in the Final Terms, the cost to the Issuer of amending or liquidating any financial instruments or transactions entered into by the Issuer in connection with the Note, together with any costs, expenses, fees or taxes incurred by the Issuer in respect of any such financial instruments or transactions and provided further that such costs, expenses, fees or taxes shall not be taken into account with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market. Notice of any redemption of the Notes shall be given to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions.

## (viii) Index Cancellation

If the Calculation Agent determines that an Index Cancellation has occurred, the Issuer may redeem each Note on the date notified by the Issuer to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions at its fair market value (as determined by the Calculation Agent) as at the date of redemption taking into account the Index Cancellation, less, unless specified otherwise in the Final Terms, the cost to the Issuer of amending or liquidating any financial instruments or transactions entered into by the Issuer in connection with the Note, together with any costs, expenses, fees or taxes incurred by the Issuer in respect of any such financial instruments or transactions and provided further

that such costs, expenses, fees or taxes shall not be taken into account with respect to the Italian Bonds and to the Italian Certificates which are admitted to trading, or for which an application for admission to trading has been made or will be made, on an Italian Market. Notice of any redemption of the Notes pursuant to this paragraph shall be given to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 8 of the General Conditions."

#### 6 Index Disclaimer

The Notes are not sponsored, endorsed, sold or promoted by the Index or the Index Sponsor and the Index Sponsor has made no representation whatsoever, whether express or implied, either as to the results to be obtained from the use of the Index and/or the levels at which the Index stands at any particular time on any particular date or otherwise. The Index Sponsor shall not be liable (whether in negligence or otherwise) to any person for any error in the Index and the Index Sponsor is under no obligation to advise any person of any error therein. The Index Sponsor has made no representation whatsoever, whether express or implied, as to the advisability of purchasing or assuming any risk in connection with the Notes. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall have any liability to any person for any act or failure to act by the Index Sponsor in connection with the calculation, adjustment or maintenance of the Index. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent has any affiliation with or control over the Index or the Index Sponsor or any control over the computation, composition or dissemination of the Index. Although the Issuer and the Calculation Agent will obtain information concerning the Index from publicly available sources they believe to be reliable, they will not independently verify this information. Accordingly, no representation, warranty or undertaking (express or implied) is made and no responsibility is accepted by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent as to the accuracy, completeness and timeliness of information concerning the Index.

#### 7 Related Bond Disclaimer

The Notes are not sponsored, endorsed, sold or promoted by the issuer of the Related Bond and the issuer of the Related Bond has made no representation whatsoever, whether express or implied, as to the performance of the Related Bond and/or any amendments, adjustments or modifications to the terms and conditions of the Related Bond, and/or as to the results to be obtained from the use of any value or index level determined or derived with respect to the Related Bond or otherwise. The issuer of the Related Bond shall not be liable (whether in negligence or otherwise) to any person for any error in the index level or any value determined or derived with respect to the Related Bond and such issuer is under no obligation to advise any person of any error with respect thereto. The issuer of the Related Bond has made no representation whatsoever, whether express or implied, as to the advisability of purchasing or assuming any risk in connection with the Notes. Neither the issuer of the Related Bond nor any calculation agent in respect thereof shall have any liability to any person for any act or failure to act in connection with the Related Bond.

## 8 Definitions

For the purposes of the Inflation Linked Conditions, the following terms shall have the meanings set out below:

"AUD – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Index of Consumer Prices for Weighted Average of Eight Capital Cities: All – Groups Index before Seasonal Adjustment", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Australia, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

- "AUS Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index (2005)", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Austria, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "AUS Non-revised Harmonised Indices of Consumer Prices (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (2005)", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Austria, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Base Level" means the Index Level (excluding any "flash" estimates) published or announced by the Index Sponsor in respect of the month which is 12 calendar months prior to the Reference Month for which the Substitute Index Level is being determined.
- "BLG Non-revised Consumer Price Index—General Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index—General Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Belgium, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "BLG Non-revised Consumer Price Index—Health Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index—Health Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Belgium, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "BLG Non-revised Harmonised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Belgium, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "BRL Non-revised Consumer Price Index (IPCA)" means the "Non-revised Extensive National Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Brazil, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "BRL Non-revised Price Index (IGP-M)" means the "IGP-M General Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Brazil, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "CA" means the Calculation Amount specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- "CA Factor" means, (i) in respect of a Note that is not a Unit, the factor by which the Calculation Amount must be multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination of such Note without any further rounding or (ii) in respect of a Unit, one.
- "CAD Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Canada, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Cap(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Cap Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Cap(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t). If Cap is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms the Cap(t) shall be infinity.
- "Change in Law" means, unless otherwise defined in the applicable Final Terms, that, on or after the Issue Date (A) due to the adoption of or any change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law) or (B) due to the promulgation of or any change in the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority), the Issuer determines that it will incur a materially increased cost in performing its obligations under the Notes (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit or other adverse effect on its tax position).

- "CLP Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Chile, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "CNY Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in China, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Cut-Off Date" means, in respect of a Determination Date, the date which falls the number of Business Days specified in the applicable Final Terms prior to such Determination Date.
- "CZK Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in the Czech Republic, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "DKK Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Denmark, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "DKK Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Denmark, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Delayed Index Level Event" means, in respect of any Determination Date, that the Index Sponsor fails to publish or announce the Relevant Level in respect of any Reference Month which is to be utilised in any calculation or determination to be made by the Issuer in respect of such Determination Date, at any time prior to the Cut-Off Date.
- "DEM Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised All Items Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Germany, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "DEM Non-revised Consumer Price Index for North Rhine-Westphalia" means the "Non-revised Index of Consumer Prices for North Rhine-Westphalia", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "DEM Non-revised Harmonised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Germany, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Determination Date" means the relevant Interest Payment Date, the Maturity Date and any other date designated as such in the applicable Final Terms.
- "ESP Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices including Tobacco", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Spain expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "ESP Harmonised-Revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices including Tobacco", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Spain expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "ESP National-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Index of Consumer Prices including Tobacco", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Spain expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

- "ESP National-Revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Year on Year Revised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Spain, expressed as an annual percentage and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "EUR All Items-Non-revised Consumer Price Index" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices All Items", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in the European Monetary Union expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "EUR All Items-Revised Consumer Price Index" means the "Revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices All Items", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in the European Monetary Union expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "EUR Excluding Tobacco-Non-revised Consumer Price Index" means the "Non-revised Index of Consumer Prices excluding Tobacco", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in the European Monetary Union excluding tobacco, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Fallback Bond" means a bond selected by the Calculation Agent and issued by the government of the country to whose level of inflation the Index relates and which pays a coupon or redemption amount which is calculated by reference to the Index, with a maturity date which falls on (a) the same day as the Maturity Date, (b) the next longest maturity after the Maturity Date if there is no such bond maturing on the Maturity Date, or (c) the next shortest maturity before the Maturity Date if no bond defined in (a) or (b) is selected by the Calculation Agent. If the Index relates to the level of inflation across the European Monetary Union, the Calculation Agent will select an inflation linked bond that is a debt obligation of one of the governments (but not any government agency) of France, Italy, Germany or Spain and which pays a coupon or redemption amount which is calculated by reference to the level of inflation in the European Monetary Union. In each case, the Calculation Agent will select the Fallback Bond from those inflation linked bonds issued on or before the Issue Date and, if there is more than one inflation linked bond maturing on the same date, the Fallback Bond shall be selected by the Calculation Agent from those bonds. If the Fallback Bond redeems, the Calculation Agent will select a new Fallback Bond on the same basis, but selected from all eligible bonds in issue at the time the original Fallback Bond redeems (including any bond for which the redeemed bond is exchanged).
- "FIN Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Finland, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "FIN Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Finland, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Final Reference Month" means the Reference Month specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Final Relevant Level" means the Relevant Level in respect of the Final Reference Month.
- "Fixed Rate Interest Period" means each Interest Period falling within the Fixed Rate Period (if any).
- "Fixed Rate Period" means the period (if any) from and including the Fixed Rate Period Start Date to and including the Fixed Rate Period End Date.
- "Fixed Rate Period End Date" means the date specified as such (if any) in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Fixed Rate Period Start Date" means the date specified as such (if any) in the applicable Final Terms.

- "Floor(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Floor Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Floor(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t). If Floor(t) is specified as "Not Applicable" in the applicable Final Terms the Floor(t) shall be zero.
- "FRC Excluding Tobacco-Non-Revised Consumer Price Index" means the "Non-revised Index of Consumer Prices excluding Tobacco", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in France excluding tobacco expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "FRC Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in France, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "GBP Non-revised Retail Price Index (UKRPI)" means the "Non-revised Retail Price Index All Items in the United Kingdom", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the all items rate of inflation in the United Kingdom expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "GBP Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in the United Kingdom, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "GBP Non-revised Retail Price Index Excluding Mortgage Interest Payments (UKRPIX)" means the "Non-revised Retail Price Index Excluding Mortgage Interest Payments in the United Kingdom", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the all items rate of inflation in the United Kingdom expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "GRD Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Greece expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "GRD Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Greece expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "HKD Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Hong Kong, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "HUF Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Hungary, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "IDR Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Indonesia, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "ILS Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Consumer Price Index-General", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Israel, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Index" means the AUD Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), AUS Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), AUS Non-revised Harmonised Indices of Consumer Prices (HICP), BLG Non-revised Consumer Price Index—General Index (CPI), BLG Non-revised Consumer Price Index—Health Index (CPI), BLG Non-revised Harmonised Consumer Price Index (HICP), BRL Non-revised Consumer Price

Index (IPCA), BRL – Non-revised Price Index (IGP-M), CAD – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), CLP – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), CNY – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), CZK – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), DKK - Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), DKK -Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), DEM – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), DEM - Non-revised Consumer Price Index for North Rhine-Westphalia, DEM - Non-revised Harmonised Consumer Price Index (HICP), ESP - Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), ESP -Harmonised-Revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), ESP - National-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), ESP – National-Revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), EUR – All Items-Non-revised Consumer Price Index, EUR - All Items-Revised Consumer Price Index, EUR - Excluding Tobacco-Non-revised Consumer Price Index, FIN - Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), FIN - Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), FRC - Excluding Tobacco-Non-Revised Consumer Price Index, FRC - Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), GBP - Non-revised Retail Price Index (UKRPI), GBP -Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), GBP - Non-revised Retail Price Index Excluding Mortgage Interest Payments (UKRPIX), GRD - Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), GRD – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), HKD – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), HUF – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), IDR - Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), ILS - Nonrevised Consumer Price Index (CPI), IRL - Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), IRL - Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), ISK - Harmonised Consumer Price Index (HICP), ISK - Nonrevised Consumer Price Index (CPI), ITL - Inflation for Blue Collar Workers and Employees-Excluding Tobacco Consumer Price Index, ITL - Inflation for Blue Collar Workers and Employees-Including Tobacco Consumer Price Index, ITL - Non-revised Harmonised Consumer Price Index (HICP), ITL - Whole Community - Excluding Tobacco Consumer Price Index, ITL - Whole Community - Including Tobacco Consumer Price Index, JPY - Non-revised Consumer Price Index Nationwide General Excluding Fresh Food (CPI), KRW – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), LUX – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), LUX - Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), MXN - Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), MXN – Unidad de Inversion Index (UDI), MYR – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), "NLG – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), NLG – Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), NOK – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), NZD – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), PER – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), PLN - Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), POR - Nonrevised Consumer Price Index (CPI), POR – Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP), RUB – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), SEK – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), SGD – Nonrevised Consumer Price Index (CPI), SWF - Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Nonrevised Consumer Price Index, TRY - Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), TWD - Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI), USA - Non-revised Consumer Price Index - Urban (CPI-U), ZAR - Nonrevised Consumer Price Index (CPI) or ZAR - Non-revised Consumer Price Index Excluding Mortgages (CPIX), as specified in the applicable Final Terms, or any Successor Index.

"Index Cancellation" means a level for the Index has not been published or announced for two consecutive months and/or the Index Sponsor cancels the Index and/or the Index Sponsor announces that it will no longer continue to publish or announce the Index and no Successor Index exists.

"Index Level" means the level of the Index or any Substitute Index Level.

"Index Modification" means the Index Sponsor announces that it will make (in the opinion of the Issuer) a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index.

"Inflation Cap" means the percentage specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Inflation Floor" means the percentage specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Interest Period(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Payment Date(t), the period from (and including) Interest Payment Date(t-1) (or, if Interest Payment Date(t) is the first Interest Payment Date, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t).

"Index Performance" means, in respect of the Index, the value determined in accordance with the following formula:

$$\left[\frac{Final\ Relevant\ Level}{Initial\ Relevant\ Level} - 1\right] \times 100\%$$

"Initial Relevant Level" means the Relevant Level in respect of the Initial Reference Month.

"Initial Reference Month" means the Reference Month specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.

"Index Sponsor" means either (x) the index sponsor specified in the Final Terms or such other corporation or entity as determined by the Calculation Agent that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the Index failing whom such person acceptable to the Calculation Agent who calculates and announces the Index or any agent or person acting on behalf of such person or (y) if no such index sponsor is specified in the Final Terms, then the corporation or entity as determined by the Calculation Agent that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the Index failing whom such person acceptable to the Calculation Agent who calculates and announces the Index or any agent or person acting on behalf of such person.

"Interest Payment Date(t-1)" means the Interest Payment Date immediately preceding Interest Payment Date(t).

"IRL - Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Consumer Price Index-All Items", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Ireland, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

"IRL – Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices—All Items", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Ireland, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

"ISK – Harmonised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Iceland, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

"ISK – Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Iceland, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

"ITL – Inflation for Blue Collar Workers and Employees-Excluding Tobacco Consumer Price Index" means the "Indice dei prezzi al consumo per famiglie di operai e impiegati (FOI) senza tabacchi", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Italy expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

"ITL – Inflation for Blue Collar Workers and Employees-Including Tobacco Consumer Price Index" means the "Indice dei prezzi al consumo per famiglie di operai e impiegati (FOI) con tabacchi", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Italy expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

- "ITL Non-revised Harmonised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Italy, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "ITL Whole Community Excluding Tobacco Consumer Price Index" means the "Indice nazionale dei prezzi al consumo per l'intera collettività" (NIC) senza tabacchi" or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Italy expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "ITL Whole Community Including Tobacco Consumer Price Index" means the "Indice nazionale dei prezzi al consume per l'intera collettività" (NIC) con tabacchi", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Italy expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "JPY Non-revised Consumer Price Index Nationwide General Excluding Fresh Food (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index Nationwide General Excluding Fresh Food", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation excluding fresh food in Japan, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "KRW Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in South Korea, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Latest Level" means the latest Index Level (excluding any "flash" estimates) published or announced by the Index Sponsor prior to the Reference Month in respect of which the Substitute Index Level is being determined.
- "LUX Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Luxembourg, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "LUX Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Luxembourg, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Max" followed by a series of amounts inside brackets, means whichever is the greater of the amounts separated by a semi colon inside those brackets.
- "Min" followed by a series of amounts inside brackets, means whichever is the lesser of the amounts separated by a semi colon inside those brackets.
- "MXN Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Mexico, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "MXN Unidad de Inversion Index (UDI)" means the "Unidad de Inversion Index", or relevant Successor Index, reporting the daily peso value of an Unidad de Inversion (an "UDI"), expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "MYR Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Malaysia, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "NLG Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in The Netherlands, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

- "NLG Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in The Netherlands, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "NOK Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index—All Items", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Norway, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "NZD Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in New Zealand, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Observation Date" means, if specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms, each date, if any, set forth in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with the Business Day Convention specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Observation Period" has the meaning ascribed to it in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Participation" means the percentage specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.
- "PER Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Peru, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "PLN Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Price Indices of Consumer Goods and Services", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Poland, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "POR Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Portugal, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "POR Harmonised-Non-revised Consumer Price Index (HICP)" means the "Non-revised Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Portugal, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the rate specified under the heading "Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).
- "Rate of Interest(t-1)" means the Rate of Interest in respect of Interest Payment Date(t-1).
- "Rebased Index" has the meaning given to it in Condition 7(m)(v) of the General Conditions.
- "Redemption Margin1" means the percentage specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Redemption Margin2" means the percentage specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Reference Level" means the Index Level (excluding any "flash" estimates) published or announced by the Index Sponsor in respect of the Reference Month that is 12 calendar months prior to the Reference Month in respect of the Latest Level.
- "Reference Month" means the calendar month for which the level of the Index was reported, regardless of when this information is published or announced. If the period for which the Index Level was reported is a period other than a month, the Reference Month shall be the period for which the Index Level was reported.

- "Reference Month(Initial)" means the Reference Month specified as such in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Reference Month(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Reference Month Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the Reference Month specified under the heading "Reference Month(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).
- "Reference Month(t-1)" means the Reference Month specified in the table in the applicable Final Terms which corresponds to the Interest Payment Date(t-1). For the avoidance of doubt, where "t" equals one, "Reference Month(t-1)" shall be "Reference Month(Initial)".
- "Related Bond" means, if specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms, means the bond specified as such in the applicable Final Terms or, if specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms and no bond is specified therein, the Fallback Bond.
- "Related Bond Redemption Event" means, if specified as applicable in the applicable Final Terms, at any time prior to the Maturity Date, (i) the Related Bond is redeemed, repurchased or cancelled, (ii) the Related Bond becomes repayable prior to its stated date of maturity for whatever reason, or (iii) the issuer of the Related Bond announces that the Related Bond will be redeemed, repurchased or cancelled prior to its stated date of maturity.
- "Relevant Level" means the Index Level.
- "Relevant Level(t)" means the Relevant Level in respect of the Reference Month(t).
- "Relevant Level(t-1)" means the Relevant Level in respect of the Reference Month(t-1).
- "RUB Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Russia, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "SEK Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Sweden, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "SGD Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Singapore, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "SWF Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Switzerland, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Successor Index" has the meaning given to it in Condition 7(1) of the General Conditions.
- "Substitute Index Level" means, in respect of a Delayed Index Level Event, the index level determined by the Issuer in accordance with Condition 7(k) of the General Conditions.
- "t" is an ascending series of unique positive integers starting from and including 1(one) up to and including T, each denoting one Interest Payment Date in chronological order.
- "T" means the total of Interest Payment Dates.
- "TRY Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Turkey, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

- "TWD Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Consumer Price Index", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in Taiwan, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Underlying Margin(t)" means, in respect of any Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t) specified under the heading "Underlying Margin Schedule" in the table in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified under the heading "Underlying Margin(t)" in such table adjacent to the relevant Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t).
- "Underlying Margin1(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), the percentage determined in accordance with the definition of Underlying Margin(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Underlying Margin(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "1(t)", and with the variables specified under Underlying Margin1(t) in the applicable Final Terms.
- "Underlying Margin2(t)" means, in respect of an Interest Period(t) and related Interest Payment Date(t), the percentage determined in accordance with the definition of Underlying Margin(t), as though references to "(t)" in the definition of Underlying Margin(t) and any other applicable definitions were to "2(t)", and with the variables specified under Underlying Margin2(t) in the applicable Final Terms.
- "USA Non-revised Consumer Price Index Urban (CPI-U)" means the "Non-revised index of Consumer Prices for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) before seasonal adjustment", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in the United States expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "Variable Rate Interest Period" means each Interest Period(t) falling outside of the Fixed Rate Period.
- "ZAR Non-revised Consumer Price Index (CPI)" means the "Non-revised Index of Consumer Prices", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation in South Africa, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
- "ZAR Non-revised Consumer Price Index Excluding Mortgages (CPIX)" means the "Nonrevised Index of Consumer Prices excluding Mortgage", or relevant Successor Index, measuring the rate of inflation excluding mortgages in South Africa, expressed as an index and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.

#### FORM OF FINAL TERMS OF THE NOTES

Set out below is the form of Final Terms which will be completed for each Tranche of Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer under the Programme.

Final Terms dated [•]

# [ING Bank N.V.[, Sydney Branch]][ING Americas Issuance B.V.] Issue of [Aggregate Nominal Amount of Tranche] [Number of Units]<sup>1</sup> [Title of Notes] issued pursuant to a

#### €40,000,000,000 Global Issuance Programme

[The Notes will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be sold except (i) in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act, (ii) in an offshore transaction in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 of Regulation S under the Securities Act, (iii) pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act or (iv) in any other transaction that does not require registration under the Securities Act.]<sup>2</sup>

[Any person making or intending to make an offer of the Notes may only do so [:

- (i) in those Public Offer Jurisdictions mentioned in Paragraph [9] of Part B below, provided such person is of a kind specified in that paragraph and that the offer is made during the Offer Period specified in that paragraph; or
- (ii) otherwise] in circumstances in which no obligation arises for the Issuer or any Dealer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or to supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive, in each case, in relation to such offer.

Neither the Issuer nor any Dealer has authorised, nor do they authorise, the making of any offer of Notes in any other circumstances.]<sup>3</sup>

#### Part A - Contractual Terms

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Conditions of the Notes (the "Conditions") set forth in the Base Prospectus dated 27 June 2016 as supplemented from time to time (the "Prospectus")[which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC, as amended from time to time (the "Prospectus Directive")]. This document constitutes the Final Terms applicable to the issue of Notes described herein [for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive (as implemented by the Dutch Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het financiael toezicht*) and its implementing regulations)] and must be read in conjunction with such Prospectus. Full information on the Issuer[, the Guarantor] and the offer of the Notes is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Prospectus. The Prospectus is available for viewing at <a href="https://www.ingmarkets.com">https://www.ingmarkets.com</a> under the section "Downloads" and copies of the Prospectus may be obtained from [ING Bank N.V. at Foppingadreef 7, 1102 BD Amsterdam, The Netherlands][ING Americas Issuance B.V. c/o ING Bank N.V. at Foppingadreef 7, 1102 BD Amsterdam, The Netherlands or c/o ING Financial Holdings Corporation, 1325 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019, United States][ING Bank N.V., Sydney Branch at Level 14, 140 Sussex Street, Sydney NSW 2000 or c/o ING Bank N.V. at Foppingadreef 7, 1102 BD Amsterdam, The Netherlands.].

Only required if Notes issued in unitised form

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Include for Notes issued pursuant to Rule 144A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Paragraph to be included only in the case of a Tranche of Non-Exempt PD Notes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt Notes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt Notes

[Only include in case of Italian Bonds: The Italian Bonds offered hereby have been issued pursuant to the Prospectus, provided that (i) all references to "Notes" in the relevant sections of the Prospectus and in these Final Terms shall be deemed to be references to "Italian Bonds" and (ii) all references to "Noteholders" in the relevant sections of the Prospectus and in these Final Terms shall be deemed to be references to holders of the Italian Bonds.]

[Only include in case of Italian Certificates: The Italian Certificates offered hereby have been issued pursuant to the Prospectus provided that (i) all references to "Notes" in the relevant sections of the Prospectus and in these Final Terms shall be deemed to be references to "Italian Certificates" and (ii) all references to "Noteholders" in the relevant sections of the Prospectus and in these Final Terms shall be deemed to be references to holders of the Italian Certificates.]

[The following alternative language applies if the first Tranche of an issue which is being increased was issued under a Base Prospectus with an earlier date. In the case of fungible issues, consideration should be given as to the need for a drawdown prospectus.]

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the conditions set forth in the Base Prospectus dated [original date]. This document constitutes the Final Terms of the Notes described herein [for the purposes of Article 5.4 of Directive 2003/71/EC, as amended from time to time (the "Prospectus Directive") (as implemented by the Dutch Financial Supervision Act (Wet op het financial) toezicht) and its implementing regulations)] <sup>6</sup> and must be read in conjunction with the Base Prospectus dated [current date] as supplemented from time to time [which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive], save in respect of the Conditions which are extracted from the Base Prospectus dated [original date] and are incorporated by reference in the Base Prospectus dated [current date]. Full information on the Issuer, the Guarantor and the offer of the Notes is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectuses dated [original date] (with respect to the Conditions set forth therein) and [current date] (other than with respect to the Conditions set forth therein) as supplemented from time to time. The Base Prospectuses as supplemented from time to time are available for viewing at https://www.ingmarkets.com under the section "Downloads" and copies of the Base Prospectuses as supplemented from time to time may be obtained from [ING Bank N.V. at Foppingadreef 7, 1102 BD Amsterdam, The Netherlands][ING Americas Issuance B.V. c/o ING Bank N.V. at Foppingadreef 7, 1102 BD Amsterdam, The Netherlands or c/o ING Financial Holdings Corporation, 1325 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019, United States].

Prospective investors should carefully consider the section "Risk Factors" in the Base Prospectus.

[Include whichever of the following apply or specify as "Not Applicable" (N/A). Note that the numbering should remain as set out below, even if "Not Applicable" is indicated for individual paragraphs or sub-paragraphs. Italics denote guidance for completing the Final Terms.]

[When completing any final terms, or adding any other final terms or information, consideration should be given as to whether such terms or information constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive (as implemented by the Dutch Financial Supervision Act (Wet op het financial toezicht) and its implementing regulations).]

## **General Description of the Notes**

1 (i) Issuer:

[ING Bank N.V.[, Sydney Branch]][ING Americas

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt Notes

Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt Notes

- (ii) Guarantor:
- 2 (i) Series Number:
  - (ii) Tranche Number:

Date on which the Notes will be consolidated and form a single series:

- 3 Specified Currency or Currencies:
- 4 Aggregate Nominal Amount:
  - (i) Tranche:
  - (ii) Series:
- 5 Issue Price:
- 6 (i) Specified Denominations:

- (ii) Calculation Amount:
- 7 Issue Date:
  - (i) Interest Commencement Date (if different from the Issue Date):

Issuance B.V.]

[ING Bank N.V.] (delete if not applicable)

- $[\bullet]$
- [•] (delete if not applicable)

[The Notes will be consolidated and form a single Series with [identify earlier Tranches] on [specify date/the Issue Date/exchange of the Temporary Global Note for interests in the Permanent Global Note, as referred to in paragraph 43 below, which is expected to occur on or about [date]] [Not Applicable] (delete if not applicable)

[•]

(Swedish Notes: SEK or  $\epsilon$  or such other currency as may have become approved under the Swedish CSD Rules)

- $[\bullet]$   $[[\bullet]$  Units]<sup>8</sup>
- [●] [[●] Units]<sup>9</sup> (delete if not applicable)
- [•] [[•] Units] <sup>10</sup>(delete if not applicable)
- [•] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal Amount [plus accrued interest from [insert date] (in the case of fungible issues only, if applicable)]
- [[•] per Unit]<sup>11</sup>
- [•] [1 unit per Note]<sup>12</sup>

[Where multiple denominations above  $\epsilon$ 100,000 (or equivalent) are being used the following sample wording should be followed: [ $\epsilon$ 100,000] and integral multiples of [ $\epsilon$ 1,000] in excess thereof [up to and including [ $\epsilon$ 199,000]. No Notes in definitive form will be issued with a denomination above [ $\epsilon$ 199,000]]\*.]

\*[Delete if Notes being issued in registered form.]

- [•][If more than one Specified Denomination, state applicable and insert the highest common factor, or in case of units specify value of one unit]
- $[\bullet]$

[Issue Date/specify other/Not Applicable] (delete if not applicable)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Only required if Notes issued in unitised form.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Only required if Notes issued in unitised form.

Maturity Date: [•][Interest Payment Date falling in or nearest to [specify month and year]] 9 Interest Basis: [[●] per cent. Fixed Rate] [[LIBOR/EURIBOR/STIBOR/specify reference rate] +/- [•] per cent. [Floating Rate] [Zero Coupon] [Tailor-Made Interest] [Step-Up Interest] [Floater Interest] [Floater with Lock-In Interest] [Reverse Floater Interest] [Ratchet Floater Interest] [Switchable (Fixed to Floating) Interest] [Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest] [Steepener Interest] [Steepener with Lock-In Interest] [Range Accrual(Rates) Interest] [Range Accrual(Spread) Interest] [Inverse Range Accrual Interest] [KO Range Accrual Interest] [Dual Range Accrual Interest] [Snowball Interest] [SnowRanger Interest] [Barrier(Rates) Interest] [Not Applicable] (further particulars specified below) Subject to any purchase and cancellation or early 10 Redemption/Payment Basis: redemption, the Notes will be redeemed on the Maturity Date at [●] per cent. of their Aggregate Nominal Amount. Change of Interest Basis: [Not Applicable] [Specify details of any provision for change of Notes into another interest basis and cross-refer to paragraphs 14 and 15 below if details provided there] 12 Put/Call Options: [Not Applicable] [Investor Put] [Issuer Call] [(further particulars specified below)] 13 [(i)][Date [Board] approval for issuance [•] [and [•], respectively]] of Notes obtained: (NB: Only relevant where Board (or similar) authorisation is required for the particular Tranche

of Notes)]

[(ii)][Date [Executive/Supervisory Board] approval for Programme obtained:

[●] [and [●], respectively]] (Only relevant in case of Notes issued by ING Americas Issuance B.V.)

## PROVISIONS RELATING TO INTEREST (IF ANY) PAYABLE

14 **Fixed Rate Note Provisions:** [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-

paragraphs of this paragraph)

(i) Additional Business Centre(s): [No Additional Business Centre(s)/specify other]

(ii) Broken Amount(s): [[●] per [Specified Denomination/Calculation

Amount], in respect of the [short/long] coupon payable on the Interest Payment Date falling [in/on] [•].] [The Broken Amount payable on the Interest Payment Date in respect of the [short/long] coupon

shall be an amount equal to the [Specified

Denomination/Calculation Amount] multiplied by the Rate of Interest multiplied by the Day Count Fraction with the resultant figure being rounded to the nearest sub-unit of the Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded [upwards/downwards].] [Not

Applicable]

(iii) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day

Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified

Following Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/ Preceding Business Day Convention

(Adjusted)] [Not Applicable]

(iv) Day Count Fraction: [Actual/Actual

Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling)

Actual/360 30/360 360/360 Bond Basis 30E/360

Eurobond Basis 30E/360 (ISDA) RBA Bond Basis Actual/Actual (ICMA)

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[specify other from Condition 3 of the General

Conditions]

(v) Determination Date(s): [[●] in each year] [Not Applicable]

[Insert regular interest payment dates ignoring issue

date or maturity date in the case of a long or short first or last coupon]

(NB: Only relevant where Day Count Fraction is Actual/Actual (ICMA))

(vi) Fixed Coupon Amount(s):

[[•] per [Specified Denomination/Calculation Amount] [For each Fixed Interest Period, as defined in Condition 3 (a), the Fixed Coupon Amount will be an amount equal to the [Specified

Denomination/Calculation Amount] multiplied by the Rate of Interest multiplied by the Day Count Fraction with the resultant figure being rounded to the nearest sub-unit of the Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded [upwards/downwards]]

(vii) Interest Amount Adjustment:

(viii) Interest Payment Date(s):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[•] in each year up to and including [the Maturity Date/specify other] [, adjusted in accordance with the Business Day Convention specified in sub-paragraph 14(iii).]

(NB: In the case of long or short coupons the following sample wording should be followed: There will be a [short/long] [first/last] coupon)

(ix) Party responsible for calculating the Interest Amount(s):

[Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Agent, specify its name and address] [Not Applicable]

(x) Rate[(s)] of Interest:

- [•] per cent. per annum [payable [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly/specify other] in arrear]
- (xi) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest for Fixed Rate Notes:

[None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if, when interest is to be determined for a period other than a Fixed Interest Period, it is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))

15 Floating Rate Note Provisions:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

(If not applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph)

(i) Additional Business Centre(s):

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

(ii) Business Day Convention:

[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/ Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified

Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)]

(iii) Day Count Fraction: [Actual/Actual

Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling)

Actual/360 30/360 360/360 Bond Basis 30E/360

Eurobond Basis 30E/360 (ISDA) RBA Bond Basis Actual/Actual (ICMA)

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[specify other from Condition 3 of the General Conditions]

(iv) Fall back provisions, rounding provisions and any other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Floating Rate Notes: [None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))

(v) ISDA Determination:

[Applicable/Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the ISDA Determination provisions which follow]

Floating Rate Option:

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Designated Maturity:

[•]

Reset Date:

[•]

(vi) Manner in which the Rate of Interest and Interest Amount(s) is/are to be determined: [Screen Rate Determination/ISDA Determination]

(vii) Margin(s):

[+/-] [•] per cent. [per annum/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly]

(viii) Maximum Rate of Interest:

[•] per cent. [per annum/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly]

(ix) Minimum Rate of Interest:

[•] per cent. [per annum/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly]

(x) Party responsible for calculating the

[Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the

Rate of Interest and Interest(s) Amount:

calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Agent, specify its name and address]

(xi) Screen Rate Determination:

[Applicable/Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Screen Rate Determination provisions which follow]

– Reference Rate:

[•] month

[LIBOR/EURIBOR/BBSW/STIBOR/specify other Reference Rate]

Interest Determination Date(s):

[•]

(Second London business day prior to the start of each Interest Period if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), first day of each Interest Period if sterling LIBOR, the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the start of each Interest Period if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the start of each Interest Period if STIBOR)

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(In the case of EURIBOR, if not Reuters Page EURIBOR01 ensure it is a page which shows a composite rate)

(xii) Specified Period(s)/Specified Interest Payment Dates:

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16 Zero Coupon Note Provisions:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

(If not applicable, state not applicable and delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

(i) Day Count Fraction in relation to Early Redemption Amounts and late payment:

[Condition 7(e)(iii) and 7 (h) apply/ specify other from Conditions]

(Consider applicable Day Count Fraction if not U.S. dollar denominated)

(ii) Early Redemption Amount:

[Amortised Face Amount in accordance with Condition 7(e)(iii), and Accrual Yield is [●] per cent. per annum and Reference Price is [●]][Fair Market Value in accordance with Condition 7(e)(iv)] (If using Fair Market Value, specify if the fair market value of the Note is not to be determined two Business Days prior to the date fixed for redemption) (If using Fair Market Value, specify if the liquidation value (if any), whether positive or negative, of any financial instruments or transactions entered into by the Issuer in connection with the Note, together with any costs, expenses, fees or taxes incurred by the Issuer in respect of any such financial instruments or transactions, are not to be taken into account when

determining Fair Market Value)

(iii) Reference Price:  $[\bullet]$ **Tailor-Made Interest Note Provisions:** [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Tailor-Made Interest Note Provisions which follow] Additional Business Centre(s): (i) (ii) Business Day Convention:

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention

(Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
[Actual/Actual Actual/Actual (ISDA)	

(iii) Cap Schedule:

(iv) Day Count Fraction:

Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling) Actual/360 30/360 360/360 **Bond Basis** 30E/360

**Eurobond Basis** 30E/360 (ISDA) **RBA Bond Basis** Actual/Actual (ICMA)

Payment Date(t))

[specify other from Condition 3 of the General Conditions]

(v) Floor Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Floor(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
[•]	
Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest	Multiplier(t)

(vi) Interest Payment Dates:

(vii) Multiplier Schedule:

				[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(viii	-	of	ponsible for calculating the Interest and Interest(s)	[Calculation Agent/Agent/ calculation is different from Agent, specify its name and	n the Calculation Agent or
(ix) Underlying Margin Schedule:		ng Margin Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin(t)	
				[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(x)	Under	rlyir	ng Rate(t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate(t)] Rate(t)]	/[Underlying Screen
	(a) 1	Und	erlying ISDA Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applical [If not applicable, delete a Rate(t) provisions which for	ll of the Underlying ISDA
	-	_	Floating Rate Option:	[•]	
	-	_	Designated Maturity:	[•]	
	-	_	Underlying Rate Reset Date(t):	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	ng in Arrear]/[specify other]
	(b) 1	Und	erlying Screen Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applical [If not applicable, delete a Rate(t) provisions which for	ll of the Underlying Screen
	-	_	Underlying Reference Rate:	[•]	
	-	_	Underlying Rate Determination Date(t):	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	ng in Arrear]/[specify other]
	-	_	Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):	[•]	
	(c) ]	Nun	nber of Fixing Days:	[•]	
	(d) 1	Fixi	ng Day City:	[•]	
(xi)	Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Tailor-			[None/Aggregate Nominal applicable]	Amount Determination is
	Made	Inte	erest Notes:	(Specify Aggregate Nomina the Interest Amount is to be of the aggregate nominal a Notes outstanding rather to Specified Denomination (of if one is specified in these to the second state of the second state	nmount of the series of han on the basis of the or the Calculation Amount
Step	-Up Ir	ıter	est Note Provisions:	[Applicable]/[Not Applical	ble]
				[If not applicable, delete a Note Provisions which foll	
(i)	Addit	iona	al Business Centre(s):	[No Additional Business C	Centres/specify other]
(ii)	Busin	ess	Day Convention:	[Floating Rate Convention	/Following Business Day

[ullet] (specified Interest

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Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]

(iii) Day Count Fraction:

[Actual/Actual

Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling)

Actual/360 30/360 360/360 Bond Basis 30E/360

Eurobond Basis 30E/360 (ISDA) RBA Bond Basis Actual/Actual (ICMA)

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[specify other from Condition 3]

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Fixed Rate Period provisions which follow]

- Fixed Rate Period Start Date:
- [•]
- Fixed Rate Period End Date:
- [•]
- (v) Interest Payment Dates:

(iv) Fixed Rate Period:

- $[\bullet]$
- (vi) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) Amount:

[Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Agent, specify its name and address]

(vii)	Rate	of I	Interest(F	ixed)	Sche	dule:
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Interest Period(t) (ending	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)	
on (but excluding) Interest		
Payment Date(t))		
[•] (specified Interest	[•]	
Period(t))		

(viii) Step-Up Schedule:

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Step-Up(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(ix) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Step-Up Interest Notes: [None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of

Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount

if one is specified in these Final Terms))

**Floater Interest Note Provisions:** [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Floater Interest

*Note Provisions which follow*]

Additional Business Centre(s): [No Additional Business Centres/specify other] (i)

(ii) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day

> Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified

Following Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)]

(iii) Cap Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending	Cap(t)
on (but excluding) Interest	
Payment Date(t))	

[•] (specified Interest Period(t))

[•]

(iv) Day Count Fraction: [Actual/Actual

> Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling)

Actual/360 30/360 360/360 **Bond Basis** 30E/360 **Eurobond Basis** 

30E/360 (ISDA) **RBA Bond Basis** Actual/Actual (ICMA)

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[specify other from Condition 3 of the General

*Conditions*]

(v) Fixed Rate Period: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Fixed Rate Period

provisions which follow]

Fixed Rate Period Start Date:  $[\bullet]$ 

Fixed Rate Period End Date:  $[\bullet]$ 

(vi) Floor Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending Floor(t) on (but excluding) Interest

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				Payment Date(t))		
				[●] (specified Interest  Period(t))	[•]	
(vii)	Inter	rest P	ayment Dates:	[•]		
(viii)	) Mul	tiplie	r Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier(t)	
				[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(ix)	Rate		onsible for calculating the Interest and Interest(s)	[Calculation Agent/Agent/ calculation is different from Agent, specify its name and	n the Calculation Agent or	
(x)	Rate	e of Ir	nterest(Fixed) Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Rate of Interest Fixed(t)	
				[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(xi)	Und	erlyir	ng Margin Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin(t)	
				[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(xii) Underlying Rate(t):		ng Rate(t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate(t)]			
	(a)	Und	erlying ISDA Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]		
				[If not applicable, delete a Rate(t) provisions which fo		
		_	Floating Rate Option:	[•]		
		_	Designated Maturity:	[•]		
		_	Underlying Rate Reset Date(t):	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	ng in Arrear]/[specify other]	
(b) Underlying Screen Rate(t):		erlying Screen Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]			
			[If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen Rate(t) provisions which follow]			
		-	Underlying Reference Rate:	[•]		
		-	Underlying Rate Determination Date(t):	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	ng in Arrear]/[specify other]	
		_	Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):	[•]		
	(c)	Nun	nber of Fixing Days:	[•]		
	(d)	Fixi	ng Day City:	[•]		
(xiii) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Floater		=	[None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]			
	Inter	rest N	otes:	(Specify Aggregate Nomina	al Amount Determination if	

the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))

20 Floater with Lock-In Interest Note Provisions:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Floater with Lock-

In Interest Note Provisions which follow]

(i) Additional Business Centre(s):

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

(ii) Business Day Convention:

[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified

Following Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)]

(iii) Cap Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
[a] (an a sified Interest	[_1

[●] (specified Interest Period(t)) [•]

(iv) Day Count Fraction:

[Actual/Actual

Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling)

Actual/360 30/360 360/360 Bond Basis 30E/360

Eurobond Basis 30E/360 (ISDA) RBA Bond Basis Actual/Actual (ICMA)

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[specify other from Condition 3 of the General

Conditions]

(v) Fixed Rate Period: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Fixed Rate Period

provisions which follow]

Fixed Rate Period Start Date: [●]

– Fixed Rate Period End Date:

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(vi) Floor Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Floor(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest  $[\bullet]$ Period(t)) (vii) Interest Payment Dates: [•] (viii) Lock-In Criterion: [Excess]/[Excess/Equal] Interest Period(t) (ending Lock-In(t) (ix) Lock-In Schedule: on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) (x) Multiplier Schedule: Interest Period(t) (ending Multiplier(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)(xi) Party responsible for calculating the [Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Amount: *Agent, specify its name and address*] Interest Period(t) (ending Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) (xii) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule: on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)Interest Period(t) (ending Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t) (xiii) Rate of Interest(Lock-In) Schedule: on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) Interest Period(t) (ending **Underlying Margin(t)** (xiv) Underlying Margin Schedule: on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) (xv) Underlying Rate(t): [Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate(t)] Underlying ISDA Rate(t): [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA *Rate(t) provisions which follow*] Floating Rate Option: [•] Designated Maturity:  $[\bullet]$ Underlying Rate Reset [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]

Date(t):

(b) Underlying Screen Rate(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen *Rate(t) provisions which follow*]

Underlying Reference Rate:

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Underlying Rate Determination Date(t): [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]

Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):

[•]

(c) Number of Fixing Days:

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(d) Fixing Day City:

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(xvi) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Floater with Lock-In Interest Notes:

[None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount *if one is specified in these Final Terms)*)

21 Reverse Floater Interest Note **Provisions:** 

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Reverse Floater *Interest Note Provisions which follow*]

Additional Business Centre(s): (i)

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

(ii) Business Day Convention:

[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]

(iii) Cap Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
[Actual/Actual	
Actual/Actual (ISDA)	
Actual/365 (Fixed)	
Actual/365 (Sterling)	
Actual/360	
30/360	
360/360	

(iv) Day Count Fraction:

**Bond Basis** 

**Eurobond Basis** 30E/360 (ISDA) **RBA Bond Basis** Actual/Actual (ICMA) [specify other from Condition 3 of the General *Conditions*] Fix(t) Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Fixed Rate Period provisions which follow] Fixed Rate Period Start Date:  $[\bullet]$ Fixed Rate Period End Date:  $[\bullet]$ [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Floor(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t))  $[\bullet]$ Interest Period(t) (ending Multiplier(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [●] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) (x) Party responsible for calculating the [Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or *Agent, specify its name and address*] Interest Period(t) (ending Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) [Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate(t)] [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA

*Rate(t) provisions which follow*]

[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]

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(v) Fix Schedule:

(vi) Fixed Rate Period:

(vii) Floor Schedule:

(viii) Interest Payment Dates:

(ix) Multiplier Schedule:

Amount:

(xii) Underlying Rate(t):

(xi) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule:

(a) Underlying ISDA Rate(t):

Floating Rate Option:

Designated Maturity:

Underlying Rate Reset

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Date(t):

(b) Underlying Screen Rate(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen *Rate(t) provisions which follow*]

**Underlying Reference** Rate:

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Underlying Rate Determination Date(t): [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]

Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):

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(c) Number of Fixing Days:

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(d) Fixing Day City:

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(xiii) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Reverse Floater Interest Notes:

[None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))

22 Ratchet Floater Interest Note **Provisions:** 

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Ratchet Floater Interest Note Provisions which follow]

(i) Additional Business Centre(s): Business Day Convention:

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified

Following Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)]

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(iii) Cap Schedule:

(ii)

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
[Actual/Actual	
Actual/Actual (ISDA)	
Actual/365 (Fixed)	
Actual/365 (Sterling)	
Actual/360	

(iv) Day Count Fraction:

360/360 Bond Basis 30E/360

Eurobond Basis 30E/360 (ISDA) RBA Bond Basis Actual/Actual (ICMA)

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[specify other from Condition 3 of the General Conditions]

(v) Fixed Rate Period:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Fixed Rate Period provisions which follow]

Fixed Rate Period Start Date:

[•]

– Fixed Rate Period End Date:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Floor(t)
[•]

(vii) Interest Payment Dates:

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(viii) Multiplier1 Schedule:

(vi) Floor Schedule:

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier1(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(ix) Multiplier2 Schedule:

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier2(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(x) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) Amount: [Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Agent, specify its name and address]

(xi) Ratchet Cap with Floor:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

(xii) Ratchet Cap without Floor:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

(xiii) Ratchet Floor with Cap:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

(xiv) Ratchet Floor without Cap:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

(xv) Ratchet Schedule:

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Ratchet(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(xvi) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule:

Interest Period(t) (ending and the state of Interest(Fixed)(t) on (but excluding) Interest

			Payment Date(t))	
			[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xvii)		Underlying Margin Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin(t)
			[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xvi	ii)	Underlying Rate(t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate(t)] Rate(t)]	/[Underlying Screen
	(a)	Underlying ISDA Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applical	ble]
			[If not applicable, delete as Rate(t) provisions which for	
		<ul><li>Floating Rate Option:</li></ul>	[●]	
		<ul> <li>Designated Maturity:</li> </ul>	[•]	
		<ul><li>Underlying Rate Reset</li><li>Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixin	g in Arrear]/[specify other]
	(b)	Underlying Screen Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applical	ble]
			[If not applicable, delete as Rate(t) provisions which for	ll of the Underlying Screen ollow]
		<ul><li>Underlying Reference Rate:</li></ul>	[•]	
		<ul><li>Underlying Rate</li><li>Determination Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixin	g in Arrear]/[specify other]
		<ul><li>Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):</li></ul>	[•]	
	(c)	Number of Fixing Days:	[•]	
	(d)	Fixing Day City:	[•]	
(xix) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Ratchet			[None/Aggregate Nominal applicable]	Amount Determination is
	Floa	ater Interest Notes:	(Specify Aggregate Nomina the Interest Amount is to be of the aggregate nominal a Notes outstanding rather to Specified Denomination (o if one is specified in these	nmount of the series of han on the basis of the or the Calculation Amount
Swi	tchal	ble (Fixed to Floating) Interest	[Applicable]/[Not Applical	ble]
Not	e Pro	ovisions:	[If not applicable, delete at to Floating) Interest Note in	
(i)	Addi	itional Business Centre(s):	[No Additional Business Ce	entres/specify other]
(ii)	Busi	ness Day Convention:	[Floating Rate Convention/I Convention (Adjusted)/Foll- Convention (Unadjusted)/M Day Convention (Adjusted)	owing Business Day Iodified Following Business

Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]

(iii) Cap Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(iv) Day Count Fraction:

[Actual/Actual

Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling)

Actual/360 30/360 360/360 Bond Basis 30E/360 Eurobond Basis 30E/360 (ISDA) RBA Bond Basis Actual/Actual (ICMA)

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[specify other from Condition 3 of the General Conditions]

(v) Floor Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Floor(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

- (vi) Interest Payment Dates:
- (vii) Minimum Issuer Switch Business Days:
- (viii) Multiplier Schedule:

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier(t)
[•] (specified Interest  Period(t))	[•]

(ix) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) Amount:

(x) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule:

[Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Agent, specify its name and address]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
[●] (specified Interest  Period(t))	[•]

**Underlying Margin(t)** (xi) Underlying Margin Schedule: Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) (xii) Underlying Rate(t): [Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate(t)] (a) Underlying ISDA Rate(t): [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA Rate(t) provisions which follow] Floating Rate Option: [•] Designated Maturity:  $[\bullet]$ Underlying Rate Reset [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other] Date(t): Underlying Screen Rate(t): [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen *Rate(t) provisions which follow*] Underlying Reference Rate:  $[\bullet]$ Underlying Rate [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other] Determination Date(t): Relevant Screen Page [•] (Underlying): (c) Number of Fixing Days:  $[\bullet]$ (d) Fixing Day City:  $[\bullet]$ (xiii) Other terms relating to the method of [None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is calculating interest on Switchable applicable] (Fixed to Floating) Interest Notes: (Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms)) 24 Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] **Note Provisions:** [If not applicable, delete all of the Switchable (Floating to Fixed) Interest Note Provisions which follow] (i) Additional Business Centre(s): [No Additional Business Centres/specify other] (ii) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)] (iii) Cap Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

		Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(iv)	Day Count Fraction:	[Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling) Actual/360	
		30/360 360/360 Bond Basis 30E/360 Eurobond Basis	
		30E/360 (ISDA) RBA Bond Basis Actual/Actual (ICMA) 1/1] [specify other from Condition Conditions]	on 3 of the General
(v)	Floor Schedule:	[As Specified Below]/[Not A	Applicable]
		Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Floor(t)
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
	Interest Payment Dates:	[•]	
(vii)	Minimum Issuer Switch Business  Days:	[•]	
(viii)	Multiplier Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier(t)
		[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(ix)	Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) Amount:	[Calculation Agent/Agent/if calculation is different from Agent, specify its name and	the Calculation Agent or
(x)	Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xi)	Underlying Margin Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin(t)
		[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(xii) Underlying Rate(t): [Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate(t)] (a) Underlying ISDA Rate(t): [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA *Rate(t) provisions which follow*] Floating Rate Option: [•] Designated Maturity:  $[\bullet]$ Underlying Rate Reset [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other] Date(t): (b) Underlying Screen Rate(t): [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen Rate(t) provisions which follow] Underlying Reference Rate: [•] Underlying Rate [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other] Determination Date(t): Relevant Screen [•] Page(Underlying): (c) Number of Fixing Days:  $[\bullet]$ (d) Fixing Day City:  $[\bullet]$ (xiii) Other terms relating to the method of [None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is calculating interest on Switchable applicable] (Floating to Fixed) Interest Notes: (Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms)) **Steepener Interest Note Provisions:** [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Steepener Interest *Note Provisions which follow*] Additional Business Centre(s): [No Additional Business Centres/specify other] (ii) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)] (iii) Cap Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

[115 Specified Below] [14001 ppiledole]		
Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)	
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	

(iv) Day Count Fraction: [Actual/Actual Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling) Actual/360 30/360 360/360 **Bond Basis** 30E/360 **Eurobond Basis** 30E/360 (ISDA) **RBA Bond Basis** Actual/Actual (ICMA) [specify other from Condition 3 of the General Conditions] (v) Fixed Rate Period: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Fixed Rate Period *provisions which follow*] Fixed Rate Period Start Date:  $[\bullet]$ Fixed Rate Period End Date:  $[\bullet]$ (vi) Floor Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Floor(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) (vii) Interest Payment Dates: [•] (viii) Multiplier Schedule: Interest Period(t) (ending Multiplier(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) [Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the (ix) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Amount: Agent, specify its name and address] Interest Period(t) (ending Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule: (x) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) [Underlying ISDA Rate1(t)]/[Underlying Screen (xi) Underlying Rate1(t): Rate1(t)] (a) Underlying ISDA Rate1(t): [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA *Rate1(t) provisions which follow*]

		_	Floating Rate Option:	[•]
		_	Designated Maturity:	[•]
		_	Underlying Rate Reset Date(t):	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]
	(b)	Und	erlying Screen Rate1(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen Rate1(t) provisions which follow]
		_	Underlying Reference Rate:	[•]
		_	Underlying Rate Determination Date(t):	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]
		-	Relevant Screen Page(Underlying):	[•]
	(c)	Nu	mber of Fixing Days:	[•]
	(d)	Fix	ing Day City:	[•]
(xii)	Und	erlyir	ng Rate2(t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate2(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate2(t)]
	(a)	Und	erlying ISDA Rate2(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA Rate2(t) provisions which follow]
		_	Floating Rate Option:	[•]
		_	Designated Maturity:	[•]
		_	Underlying Rate Reset Date(t):	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]
	(b)	Und	erlying Screen Rate2(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen Rate2(t) provisions which follow]
		_	Underlying Reference Rate:	[•]
		_	Underlying Rate Determination Date(t):	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]
		_	Relevant Screen Page(Underlying):	[•]
	(c)	Nu	mber of Fixing Days:	[•]
	(d)	Fix	ing Day City:	[•]
(xiii) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Steepener Interest Notes:		g interest on Steepener	[None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable] (Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))	

## 26 Steepener with Lock-In Interest Note Provisions:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Steepener with Lock-

*In Interest Note Provisions which follow*]

(i) Additional Business Centre(s):

(ii) Business Day Convention:

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/ Following Business Day

Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business

Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding

Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]

(iii) Cap Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(iv) Day Count Fraction:

[Actual/Actual

Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed)

Actual/365 (Sterling)

Actual/360 30/360

360/360

Bond Basis

30E/360

Eurobond Basis 30E/360 (ISDA)

RBA Bond Basis

Actual/Actual (ICMA)

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[specify other from Condition 3 of the General

Conditions]

(v) Fixed Rate Period: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of Fixed Rate Period

provisions which follow]

– Fixed Rate Period Start Date:

[ullet]

Fixed Rate Period End Date:

[ullet]

(vi) Floor Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Floor(t)
[•] (specified Interest	[•]
Period(t)	

(vii) Interest Payment Dates:

[ullet]

(viii) Lock-In Criterion:	[Excess]/[Excess/Equal]	
(ix) Lock-In Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Lock-In(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(x) Multiplier Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xi) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) Amount:	[Calculation Agent/Agent/if calculation is different from Agent, specify its name and	the Calculation Agent or
(xii) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xiii) Rate of Interest(Lock-In) Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Rate of Interest(Lock-In)(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xiv) Underlying Rate1(t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate1(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate1(t)]	
(a) Underlying ISDA Rate1(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA Rate1(t) provisions which follow]	
<ul><li>Floating Rate Option:</li></ul>	[•]	
<ul> <li>Designated Maturity:</li> </ul>	[•]	
<ul><li>Underlying Rate Reset</li><li>Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]	
(b) Underlying Screen Rate1(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen Rate1(t) provisions which follow]	
<ul> <li>Underlying Reference Rate:</li> </ul>	[•]	
<ul><li>Underlying Rate</li><li>Determination Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]	
<ul><li>Relevant Screen</li><li>Page(Underlying):</li></ul>	[•]	
(c) Number of Fixing Days:	[•]	
(d) Fixing Day City:	[•]	
(xv) Underlying Rate2(t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate2(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate2(t)]	

Underlying ISDA Rate2(t): [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA

*Rate2(t) provisions which follow*]

Floating Rate Option:

Designated Maturity: [•]

Underlying Rate Reset Date(t):

[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]

(b) Underlying Screen Rate2(t): [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

> [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen *Rate2(t) provisions which follow*]

Underlying Reference Rate:

[•]

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Underlying Rate Determination Date(t): [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[specify other]

Relevant Screen Page(Underlying):

(c) Number of Fixing Days:

[ullet]

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(d) Fixing Day City:

 $[\bullet]$ 

(xvi) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Steepener with Lock-In Interest Notes:

[None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))

## Range Accrual(Rates) Interest Note **Provisions:**

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual(Rates)

Interest Note Provisions which follow]

Additional Business Centre(s):

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

(ii) Business Day Convention:

[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/ Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding

Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]

(iii) Cap Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(iv) Day Count Fraction:

[Actual/Actual

Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling) Actual/360 30/360 360/360 **Bond Basis** 30E/360 **Eurobond Basis** 30E/360 (ISDA) **RBA Bond Basis** Actual/Actual (ICMA) [specify other from Condition 3 of the General Conditions] (v) Fixed Rate Period: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Fixed Rate Period provisions which follow] Fixed Rate Period Start Date: [•] Fixed Rate Period End Date: [•] (vi) Floor Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Floor(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [●] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) (vii) Interest Payment Dates: [•] Interest Period(t) (ending (viii) Multiplier1 Schedule: Multiplier1(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) Interest Period(t) (ending Multiplier2(t) (ix) Multiplier2 Schedule: on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [●] Period(t)) (x) Party responsible for calculating the [Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Agent, specify its name and address] Amount: (xi) Range Accrual Cap Criterion: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If Applicable] [Less]/[Less/Equal] (xii) Range Accrual Cap Schedule: Interest Period(t) (ending Range Accrual Cap(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t))

(xiii) Range Accrual Floor Criterion: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If Applicable] [Excess]/[Excess/Equal] Interest Period(t) (ending (xiv) Range Accrual Floor Schedule: Range Accrual Floor(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) (xv) Range Accrual Observation Dates: [Each [calendar day]/[Business Day]/[Common][Scheduled Trading Day]/[[Commodity][Bullion] Business Day] in each Range Accrual Observation Period]/[•] (xvi) Range Accrual Observation Period: [Each Floating Rate Interest Accrual Period]/[From and [including][excluding] [•] [calendar days]/[Business Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion] Business Days] prior to each Interest Payment Date to and [including][excluding] [•] [calendar days]/[Business Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion] Business Days] prior to the following Interest Payment Date] (xvii) Range Accrual Reference Rate(t): [Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate(t)]/[Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t)] (a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] Rate(t): [If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual *Reference ISDA Rate(t) provisions which follow* Floating Rate Option:  $[\bullet]$ Designated Maturity: [•] Range Accrual Reference [Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[●] (Second London Rate Reset Date(t): business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)] Range Accrual Reference Screen [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] Rate(t): [If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t) provisions which follow] Range Accrual Calculation  $[\bullet]$ 

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[Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[•] (Second London

business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation
Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling
LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is
open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if

Reference Rate:

Range Accrual Reference

Rate Determination Date(t):

EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)] Relevant Screen Page [•] (Range Accrual Reference): Range Accrual Reference  $[\bullet]$ (c) Number of Range Reference  $[\bullet]$ Reference  $[\bullet]$ Interest Period(t) (ending on Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) (xviii) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified [•] Interest Period(t)) Interest Period(t) (ending on Underlying Margin1(t) (xix) Underlying Margin1 Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [ullet] (specified [•] Interest Period(t)) Underlying Margin2(t) (xx) Underlying Margin2 Schedule: Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified [•] Interest Period(t)) [Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate(t)] (a) Underlying ISDA Rate(t): [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA *Rate(t) provisions which follow*] Floating Rate Option: [•] [•] Designated Maturity: Underlying Rate Reset [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/ [specify other] (b) Underlying Screen Rate(t): [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen Rate(t) provisions which follow] Underlying Reference Rate:  $[\bullet]$ [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/ [specify other] Determination Date(t):

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Currency:

Accrual Fixing Days:

Fixing Day City:

Accrual

(d) Range

(xxi) Underlying Rate(t):

Date(t):

Underlying Rate

(Underlying): (c) Number of Fixing Days:

(d) Fixing Day City:

Relevant Screen Page

(xxii) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Range Accrual(Rates) Interest Notes:

[None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))

28 Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Note Provisions:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range

Accrual(Spread) Interest Note Provisions which follow]

(i) Additional Business Centre(s):

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

(ii) Business Day Convention:

[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/ Following Business Day

Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following

Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding
Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding

Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]

(iii) Cap Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
[•] (specified Interest	[•]

(iv) Day Count Fraction:

[Actual/Actual

Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling)

Period(t))

Actual/360 30/360 360/360 Bond Basis 30E/360 Eurobond Basis

30E/360 (ISDA)
RBA Bond Basis
Actual/Actual (ICMA)

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[specify other from Condition 3 of the General

Conditions]

(v) Fixed Rate Period:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of Fixed Rate Period

*provisions which follow*]

– Fixed Rate Period Start Date:

[ullet]

Fixed Rate Period End Date:  $[\bullet]$ (vi) Floor Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Floor(t) Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] [•] (specified Interest Period(t)(vii) Interest Payment Dates: [•] Interest Period(t) (ending on Multiplier1(t) (viii) Multiplier1 Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) (ix) Multiplier2 Schedule: Interest Period(t) (ending on Multiplier2(t) (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) (x) Party responsible for calculating the [Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the Interest and Interest(s) Rate of calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Amount: Agent, specify its name and address] Interest Period(t) (ending on Range Accrual Cap(t) (xi) Range Accrual Cap Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) (xii) Range Accrual Cap Criterion: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If applicable][Less]/[Less/Equal] Interest Period(t) (ending on Range Accrual Floor(t) (xiii) Range Accrual Floor Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) (xiv) Range Accrual Floor Criterion: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If Applicable] [Excess]/[Excess/Equal] (xv) Range Accrual Observation Dates: [Each [calendar day]/[Business Day]/[Common][Scheduled Trading Day]/[[Commodity][Bullion] Business Day] in each Range Accrual Observation Period]/[•] (xvi) Range Accrual Observation Period: [Each Floating Rate Interest Accrual Period]/[From and [including][excluding] [●] [calendar days]/[Business Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion] Business Days] prior to each Interest Payment Date to and [including][excluding] [•] [calendar days]/[Business Days]/[Scheduled Trading

Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion] Business Days] prior to

the following Interest Payment Date]

(xvii) Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t):

[Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate1(t)]/[Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate1(t)]

(a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate1(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate1(t) provisions which follow]

Floating Rate Option:

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Designated Maturity:

[•]

Range Accrual Reference
 Rate Reset Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[•] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]

(b) Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate1(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate1(t) provisions which follow]

Range Accrual Calculation
 Reference Rate:

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Range Accrual Reference
 Rate Determination Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[•] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]

- Relevant Screen Page (Range Accrual Reference):
- [ullet]
- Range Accrual Reference
   Currency:
- [ullet]
- (c) Number of Range Accrual Reference Fixing Days:
- $\lceil \bullet \rceil$
- (d) Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day City:
- [ullet]

(xviii) Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t):

[Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate2(t)]/[Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate2(t)]

(a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate2(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate2(t) provisions which follow]

– Floating Rate Option:

[•]

- Designated Maturity:  $[\bullet]$ Range Accrual Reference [Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[•] (Second London Rate Reset Date(t): business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation *Date if STIBOR*)] (b) Range Accrual Reference Screen [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] Rate2(t): [If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate2(t) provisions which follow] Range Accrual Calculation  $[\bullet]$ Reference Rate: Range Accrual Reference [Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[●] (Second London Rate Determination Date(t): business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)] Relevant Screen Page  $[\bullet]$ (Range Accrual Reference): Range Accrual Reference  $[\bullet]$ Currency: (c) Number of Range Accrual  $[\bullet]$ Reference Fixing Days: (d) Range Accrual Reference  $[\bullet]$ Fixing Day City: Interest Period(t) (ending Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) (xix) Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) Schedule: on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) [Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate(t)]
- (xx) Underlying Rate(t):
  - (a) Underlying ISDA Rate(t):
    - Floating Rate Option:
    - Underlying Rate Reset Dates:

Designated Maturity:

(b) Underlying Screen Rate(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA *Rate(t) provisions which follow*]

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[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/ [specify other]

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen Rate(t) provisions which follow]

– Underlying Reference Rate:

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Underlying RateDetermination Date(t):

[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/ [specify other]

Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):  $[\bullet]$ 

(c) Number of Fixing Days:

[ullet]

(d) Fixing Day City:

[•]

(xxi) Underlying Margin1 Schedule:

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin1(t)
[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(xxii) Underlying Margin2 Schedule:

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Interest Period(t) (ending on	Underlying Margin2(t)
(but excluding) Interest	
Payment Date(t))	
[•] (specified	[•]

(xxiii) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Range Accrual(Spread) Interest Notes:

[None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))

## 29 Inverse Range Accrual Interest Note Provisions:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t))

[If not applicable, delete all of the Inverse Range Accrual Interest Note provisions which follow]

(i) Additional Business Centre(s):

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

(ii) Business Day Convention:

[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]

(iii) Cap Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
[Actual/Actual	

(iv) Day Count Fraction:

Actual/Actual (ISDA)

Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling) Actual/360 30/360 360/360 **Bond Basis** 30E/360 **Eurobond Basis** 30E/360 (ISDA) **RBA Bond Basis** Actual/Actual (ICMA) 1/1] [specify other from Condition 3 of the General *Conditions*] [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Fixed Rate Period provisions which follow] [•]  $[\bullet]$ [•]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Floor(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) [•] Interest Period(t) (ending on Multiplier1(t) (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified [•] Interest Period(t)) Interest Period(t) (ending on Multiplier2(t) (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified [ullet]Interest Period(t)) [Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Agent, specify its name and address] [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

(x) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s)

(xi) Range Accrual Cap Criterion: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable

[If applicable][Less]/[Less/Equal]

(xii) Range Accrual Cap Schedule:

(v) Fixed Rate Period:

(vi) Floor Schedule:

(vii) Interest Payment Dates:

(viii) Multiplier1 Schedule:

(ix) Multiplier2 Schedule:

Amount:

Fixed Rate Period Start Date:

Fixed Rate Period End Date:

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest	Range Accrual Cap(t)
Payment Date(t))	
[•] (specified	[●]

(xiii) Range Accrual Floor Criterion:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t))

[If Applicable] [Excess]/[Excess/Equal]

(xiv) Rang	e Accrual Floor Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Range Accrual Floor(t)
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xv) Range Accrual Observation Dates:		[Each [calendar day]/[Business Day]/[Common][Scheduled Trading Day]/[[Commodity][Bullion] Business Day] in each Range Accrual Observation Period]/[•]	
(xvi) Rang	e Accrual Observation Period:	[Each Floating Rate Interest Accrual Period]/[From an [including][excluding] [•] [calendar days]/[Business Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion] Business Days] prior to each Interest Payment Date to and [including][excluding] [•] [calendar days]/[Business Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion] Business Days] prior to the following Interest Payment Date]	
(xvii) R	ange Accrual Reference Rate(t):	[Range Accrual Reference IS Accrual Reference Screen Ra	
(a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA		[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]	
Rate(t):		[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate(t) provisions which follow]	
	<ul><li>Floating Rate Option:</li></ul>	[•]	
	<ul><li>Designated Maturity:</li></ul>	[•]	
	<ul> <li>Range Accrual Reference</li> <li>Rate Reset Date(t):</li> </ul>	[Range Accrual Observation business day prior to the Ran Date if LIBOR (other than eu LIBOR), the second day on who open prior to the Range AccruEURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and business day prior to the Range Date if STIBOR)]	age Accrual Observation to LIBOR or Sterling thich the TARGET System is trual Observation Date if and the second Stockholm
(b)	Range Accrual Reference Screen	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable	.]
	Rate(t):	[If not applicable, delete all c Reference Screen Rate(t) pro	-
	<ul><li>Range Accrual Calculation</li><li>Reference Rate:</li></ul>	[•]	
	<ul> <li>Range Accrual Reference</li> <li>Rate Determination Date(t):</li> </ul>	[Range Accrual Observation business day prior to the Ran Date if LIBOR (other than eu LIBOR), the second day on woopen prior to the Range Accr	ge Accrual Observation to LIBOR or Sterling hich the TARGET System is

EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm

		Date if STIBOR)]	
	<ul><li>Relevant Screen Page (Range Accrual Reference):</li></ul>	[•]	
	<ul> <li>Range Accrual Reference</li> <li>Currency:</li> </ul>	[•]	
	nber of Range Accrual Reference ng Days:	[•]	
(d) Ran City	ge Accrual Reference Fixing Day	[•]	
(xviii) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule:		Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xix) Underlying Margin1 Schedule:		Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin1(t)
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xx) Underlying Margin2 Schedule:		Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin2(t)
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xxi) Unc	derlying Rate(t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[	Underlying Screen Rate(t)]
(a)	Underlying ISDA Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable	e]
		[If not applicable, delete all Rate(t) provisions which foll	
	<ul><li>Floating Rate Option:</li></ul>	[•]	
	<ul><li>Designated Maturity:</li></ul>	[●]	
	<ul><li>Underlying Rate Reset</li><li>Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	in Arrear]/ [specify other]
(b)	Underlying Screen Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable	e]
		[If not applicable, delete all Rate(t) provisions which foll	
	– Underlying Reference Rate:	[•]	
	<ul><li>Underlying Rate</li><li>Determination Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	in Arrear]/ [specify other]
	<ul><li>Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):</li></ul>	[•]	
(c)	Number of Fixing Days:	[•]	
(d)	Fixing Day City:	[•]	
(xxii)	Other terms relating to the method	[None/Aggregate Nominal A	amount Determination is

business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation

of calculating interest on Inverse Range Accrual Interest Notes:

applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is

specified in these Final Terms))

30 KO Range Accrual Interest Note Provisions:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the KO Range Accrual

Interest Note provisions which follow]

(i) Additional Business Centre(s):

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

(ii) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day

Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day

Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following

Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding

Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]

(iii) Cap Schedule:

[As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable]

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
[•] (specified Interest	[•]

(iv) Day Count Fraction:

[Actual/Actual

Actual/Actual (ISDA)

Period(t)

Actual/365 (Fixed)

Actual/365 (Sterling)

Actual/360

30/360

360/360

**Bond Basis** 

30E/360

**Eurobond Basis** 

30E/360 (ISDA)

RBA Bond Basis

Actual/Actual (ICMA)

1/1]

[specify other from Condition 3 of the General

Conditions]

(v) Fixed Rate Period: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Fixed Rate Period

provisions which follow]

Fixed Rate Period Start Date:

[ullet]

Fixed Rate Period End Date:

[•]

(vi) Floor Schedule:	[As Specified Below]/[Not A	fied Below]/[Not Applicable]	
	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Floor(t)	
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(vii) Interest Payment Dates:	[●]		
(viii) Multiplier1 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier1(t)	
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[●]	
(ix) Multiplier2 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier2(t)	
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[●]	
(x) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) Amount:	[Calculation Agent/Agent/if calculation is different from Agent, specify its name and a	the Calculation Agent or	
(xi) Range Accrual Cap Criterion:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl	e]	
	[If applicable][Less]/[Less/Equal]		
(xii) Range Accrual Cap Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Range Accrual Cap(t)	
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[●]	
(xiii) Range Accrual Floor Criterion:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl	e]	
	[If Applicable] [Excess]/[Exc	cess/Equal]	
(xiv) Range Accrual Floor Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Range Accrual Floor(t)	
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(xv) Range Accrual Observation Dates:	[[•] [calendar days]/[Busine Trading Days]/[[Commodity prior to the last day in each l Period] /[Not Applicable]	[Bullion] Business Days]	
(xvi) Range Accrual Observation Period:	[Each Floating Rate Interest [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullioneach Interest Payment Date [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullionethe following Interest Payment	calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to	

(xvii) Range Accrual Reference Rate(t): [Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate(t)]/[Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t)] (a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] Rate(t): [If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate(t) provisions which follow] Floating Rate Option: [•] Designated Maturity:  $[\bullet]$ Range Accrual Reference [Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[•] (Second London Rate Reset Date(t): business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)] (b) Range Accrual Reference Screen [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] Rate(t): [If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t) provisions which follow] Range Accrual Calculation  $[\bullet]$ Reference Rate: Range Accrual Reference [Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[●] (Second London Rate Determination Date(t): business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation *Date if STIBOR*)] Relevant Screen Page  $[\bullet]$ (Range Accrual Reference): Range Accrual Reference [•] Currency: (c) Number of Range Accrual Reference  $[\bullet]$ Fixing Days: (d) Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day  $[\bullet]$ City: Interest Period(t) (ending on Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) (xviii) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) Interest Period(t) (ending on **Underlying Margin1(t)** (xix) Underlying Margin1 Schedule:

(but excluding) Interest
Payment Date(t))

[•] (specified Interest

[•]

### Period(t))

				Feriou(i)	
	(xx) Underlying Margin2 Schedule:		ing Margin2 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin2(t)
				[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
	(xxi) Uı	nderly	ing Rate(t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[	Underlying Screen Rate(t)]
	(a	) Un	derlying ISDA Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable	e]
				[If not applicable, delete all Rate(t) provisions which foll	
		_	Floating Rate Option:	[•]	
		-	Designated Maturity:	[•]	
		-	Underlying Rate Reset Date(t):	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	in Arrear]/ [specify other]
	(b	) Un	derlying Screen Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable [If not applicable, delete all Rate(t) provisions which foll	of the Underlying Screen
		_	Underlying Reference Rate:	[•]	
		_	Underlying Rate Determination Date(t):	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	in Arrear]/[specify other]
		_	Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):	[•]	
	(c) Nu	mber	of Fixing Days:	[•]	
	(d) Fix	ing D	ay City:	[•]	
	(xxii)		r terms relating to the method lculating interest on KO Range	[None/Aggregate Nominal Aapplicable]	amount Determination is
		Accr	ual Interest Notes:	(Specify Aggregate Nominal the Interest Amount is to be a the aggregate nominal amou outstanding rather than on the Denomination (or the Calcul specified in these Final Term	determined on the basis of ont of the series of Notes he basis of the Specified lation Amount if one is
31	Dual R	ange A	Accrual Interest Note	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable	e]
	Provisi	ons:		[If not applicable, delete all Interest Note provisions whic	v
	(i) Ad	ddition	nal Business Centre(s):	[No Additional Business Cer	ntres/specify other]
	(ii) Bu	asines	s Day Convention:	[Floating Rate Convention/F Convention (Adjusted)/Follo Convention (Unadjusted)/Mo Day Convention (Adjusted)/ Business Day Convention (A Business Day Convention (A Business Day Convention (U	owing Business Day odified Following Business Modified Following Jnadjusted)/Preceding Adjusted)/Preceding

(iii) Cap Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Cap(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest  $[\bullet]$ Period(t)) (iv) Day Count Fraction: [Actual/Actual Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling) Actual/360 30/360 360/360 **Bond Basis** 30E/360 **Eurobond Basis** 30E/360 (ISDA) **RBA Bond Basis** Actual/Actual (ICMA) [specify other from Condition 3 of the General Conditions] (v) Fixed Rate Period: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Fixed Rate Period provisions which follow] Fixed Rate Period Start Date:  $[\bullet]$ Fixed Rate Period End Date: [•] (vi) Floor Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Floor(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) (vii) Interest Payment Dates:  $[\bullet]$ Interest Period(t) (ending on Multiplier1(t) (viii) Multiplier1 Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [●] Period(t)) Interest Period(t) (ending on Multiplier2(t) (ix) Multiplier2 Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) (x) Party responsible for calculating the [Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the

Interest(s)

calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or

Range Accrual Cap1(t)

Agent, specify its name and address]

Interest Period(t) (ending on

(but excluding) Interest

Rate of

Amount:

Interest and

(xi) Range Accrual Cap1 Schedule:

	Payment Date(t))		
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(xii) Range Accrual Cap2 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Range Accrual Cap2(t)	
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(xiii) Range Accrual Cap Criterion1:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl	e]	
	[If applicable][Less]/[Less/F	Equal]	
(xiv) Range Accrual Cap Criterion2:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl	e]	
	[If applicable][Less]/[Less/F		
(xv) Range Accrual Floor1 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Range Accrual Floor1(t)	
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(xvi) Range Accrual Floor2 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Range Accrual Floor2(t)	
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(xvii) Range Accrual Floor Criterion1:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]	
	[If Applicable] [Excess]/[Exc	[If Applicable] [Excess]/[Excess/Equal]	
(xviii) Range Accrual Floor Criterion2:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl	e]	
	[If Applicable] [Excess]/[Exc	cess/Equal]	
(xix) Range Accrual Observation Dates:	[[•] [calendar days]/[Busine Trading Days]/[[Commodity prior to the last day in each l Period] /[Not Applicable]	[Bullion] Business Days]	
(xx) Range Accrual Reference Factor1(t):	[Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t)] [Range Accrual Reference Spread1(t)]]		
(xxi) Range Accrual Observation Period:	[Each Floating Rate Interest [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion each Interest Payment Date [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion the following Interest Payment Date [including]]	calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to	
(xxii) Range Accrual Reference RateA(t):	[Range Accrual Reference IS Accrual Reference Screen R	· · ·	

Range Accrual Reference **ISDA** [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] RateA(t): [If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual *Reference ISDA RateA(t) provisions which follow* Floating Rate Option:  $[\bullet]$ Designated Maturity: [•] Range Accrual Reference [Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[●] (Second London Rate Reset Date(t): business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)] (b) Range Accrual Reference Screen [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] RateA(t): [If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual *Reference Screen RateA(t) provisions which follow* Range Accrual Calculation  $[\bullet]$ Reference Rate: Range Accrual Reference [Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[•] (Second London Rate Determination Date(t): business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)] Relevant Screen Page [•] (Range Accrual Reference): Range Accrual Reference  $[\bullet]$ Currency: (c) Number of Range Accrual Reference  $[\bullet]$ Fixing Days: (d) Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day  $[\bullet]$ City: (xxiii) Range Accrual Reference RateB(t): [Range Accrual Reference ISDA RateB(t)]/[Range Accrual Reference Screen RateB(t)]

Designated Maturity: [●]

Floating Rate Option:

Reference

ISDA

(a) Range

RateB(t):

Accrual

- Range Accrual Reference [Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[●] (Second London

[•]

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference ISDA RateB(t) provisions which follow]

Rate Reset Date(t):

business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation
Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling
LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is
open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if
EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm
business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation
Date if STIBOR)]

(b) Range Accrual Reference Screen RateB(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference Screen RateB(t) provisions which follow]

Range Accrual Calculation
 Reference Rate:

[•]

Range Accrual Reference
 Rate Determination Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/[[•] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]

- Relevant Screen Page (Range Accrual Reference):
- [•]
- Range Accrual Reference Currency:
- [ullet]
- (c) Number of Range Accrual Reference Fixing Days:
- [ullet]
- (d) Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day City:
- [ullet]

(xxiv) Range Accrual Reference RateC(t):

[Range Accrual Reference ISDA RateC(t)]/[Range Accrual Reference Screen RateC(t)]

(a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA RateC(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference ISDA RateC(t) provisions which follow]

- Floating Rate Option:
- [•]
- Designated Maturity:
- [●]
- Range Accrual Reference
   Rate Reset Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/[[•] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]

(b) Range Accrual Reference Screen

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

RateC(t):

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference Screen RateC(t) provisions which follow]

Range Accrual Calculation
 Reference Rate:

[●]

Range Accrual Reference
 Rate Determination Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/[[•] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]

Relevant Screen Page (Range Accrual Reference): [ullet]

Range Accrual Reference
 Currency:

[ullet]

(c) Number of Range Accrual Reference Fixing Days:

[ullet]

(d) Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day City:

[ullet]

(xxv) Range Accrual Reference RateD(t):

[Range Accrual Reference ISDA RateD(t)]/[Range Accrual Reference Screen RateD(t)]

(a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA RateD(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference ISDA RateD(t) provisions which follow]

Floating Rate Option:

[●]

Designated Maturity:

[•]

Range Accrual ReferenceRate Reset Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/[[•] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]

(b) Range Accrual Reference Screen RateD(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference Screen RateD(t) provisions which follow]

Range Accrual Calculation
 Reference Rate:

[ullet]

Range Accrual Reference
 Rate Determination Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[●] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation

Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)

- Relevant Screen Page (Range Accrual Reference):
- [•]
- Range Accrual Reference Currency:
- [ullet]
- (c) Number of Range Accrual Reference Fixing Days:
- [●]
- (d) Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day City:
- [●]
- (xxvi) Range Accrual Reference Rate1(t):

[Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate1(t)]/[Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate1(t)]

(a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate1(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate1(t) provisions which follow]

- Floating Rate Option:
- [•]
- Designated Maturity:
- [•]
- Range Accrual Reference
   Rate Reset Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[●] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]

(b) Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate1(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate1(t) provisions which follow]

Range Accrual CalculationReference Rate:

[ullet]

Range Accrual Reference
 Rate Determination Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/[[•] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]

Relevant Screen Page (Range Accrual Reference): [ullet]

<ul> <li>Range Accrual Reference</li> <li>Currency:</li> </ul>	[•]	
(c) Number of Range Accrual Reference Fixing Days:	[•]	
(d) Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day City:	[•]	
(xxvii) Range Accrual Reference Rate2(t):	[Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate2(t)]/[Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate2(t)]	
(a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate2(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate2(t) provisions which follow]	
<ul><li>Floating Rate Option:</li></ul>	[•]	
<ul> <li>Designated Maturity:</li> </ul>	[•]	
<ul> <li>Range Accrual Reference</li> <li>Rate Reset Date(t):</li> </ul>	[Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[●] (Second Londo business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]	
(b) Range Accrual Reference Screen	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]	
Rate2(t):	[If not applicable, delete all of the Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate2(t) provisions which follow]	
<ul> <li>Range Accrual Calculation</li> <li>Reference Rate:</li> </ul>	[•]	
<ul> <li>Range Accrual Reference</li> <li>Rate Determination Date(t):</li> </ul>	[Range Accrual Observation Date]/ [[●] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]	
<ul> <li>Relevant Screen Page</li> <li>(Range Accrual Reference):</li> </ul>	[•]	
<ul> <li>Range Accrual Reference</li> <li>Currency:</li> </ul>	[•]	
(c) Number of Range Accrual Reference Fixing Days:	[•]	
(d) Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day City:	[•]	
(xxviii) Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest  Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)	

	Schedule: Payment Date(t))		
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xxix)	Rate of Interest(Range Accrual):	[•]	
(xxx)	Underlying Margin Schedule 1:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin1(t)
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xxxi)	Underlying Margin Schedule 2:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin2(t)
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xxxii)	Underlying Rate (t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[	[Underlying Screen Rate (t)]
(a)	Underlying ISDA Rate (t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl	e]
		[If not applicable, delete all Rate(t) provisions which follows:	
	<ul><li>Floating Rate Option:</li></ul>	[•]	
	<ul> <li>Designated Maturity:</li> </ul>	[•]	
	<ul><li>Underlying Rate Reset</li><li>Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	in Arrear]/ [specify other]
(b) Underlying Screen Rate (t):		[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]	
		[If not applicable, delete all Rate(t) provisions which follows:	
	<ul> <li>Underlying Reference Rate:</li> </ul>	[•]	
	<ul><li>Underlying Rate</li><li>Determination Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	in Arrear]/ [specify other]
	<ul><li>Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):</li></ul>	[•]	
(c) Nu	mber of Fixing Days:	[•]	
(d) Fix	ing Day City:	[•]	
(xxxiii) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Dual		[None/Aggregate Nominal Aapplicable]	Amount Determination is
	Range Accrual Interest Notes:	(Specify Aggregate Nominal the Interest Amount is to be the aggregate nominal amount outstanding rather than on the Denomination (or the Calcuspecified in these Final Term	determined on the basis of unt of the series of Notes the basis of the Specified lation Amount if one is
Snowba	all Interest Note Provisions:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl [If not applicable, delete all	
		Note Provisions which follow	w]
(i) Ac	dditional Business Centre(s):	[No Additional Business Cer	ntres/specify other]

(ii) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)] (iii) Cap Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Cap(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) (iv) Day Count Fraction: [Actual/Actual Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling) Actual/360 30/360 360/360 **Bond Basis** 30E/360 **Eurobond Basis** 30E/360 (ISDA) **RBA Bond Basis** Actual/Actual (ICMA) [specify other from Condition 3 of the General Conditions] (v) Fix Schedule: Interest Period(t) (ending on Fix(t) (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) (vi) Fixed Rate Period: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of Fixed Rate Period provisions which follow] Fixed Rate Period Start Date: [•] Fixed Rate Period End Date: [•] (vii) Floor Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Floor(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t))

(viii) Interest Payment Dates:	[•]	
(ix) Multiplier1 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier1(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(x) Multiplier2 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier2(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xi) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) Amount:	[Calculation Agent/Agent/if calculation is different from Agent, specify its name and a	the Calculation Agent or
(xii) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xiii) Underlying Rate(t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[	Underlying Screen Rate(t)]
(a) Underlying ISDA Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl	e]
	[If not applicable, delete all Rate(t) provisions which follows:	
<ul><li>Floating Rate Option:</li></ul>	[•]	
<ul> <li>Designated Maturity:</li> </ul>	[•]	
<ul><li>Underlying Rate Reset</li><li>Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	in Arrear]/[specify other]
(b) Underlying Screen Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl	e]
	[If not applicable, delete all Rate(t) provisions which foll	
<ul> <li>Underlying Reference Rate:</li> </ul>	[•]	
<ul><li>Underlying Rate</li><li>Determination Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	in Arrear]/[specify other]
<ul><li>Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):</li></ul>	[•]	
(c) Number of Fixing Days:	[•]	
(d) Fixing Day City:	[•]	
(xiv) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Snowball	[None/Aggregate Nominal Aapplicable]	amount Determination is
Notes:	(Specify Aggregate Nominal the Interest Amount is to be the aggregate nominal amount outstanding rather than on the Denomination (or the Calcuspecified in these Final Term	determined on the basis of ant of the series of Notes he basis of the Specified lation Amount if one is

**SnowRanger Interest Note Provisions:** [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the SnowRanger Interest *Note provisions which follow*] Additional Business Centre(s): [No Additional Business Centres/specify other] (i) (ii) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)] (iii) Cap Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Cap(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) (iv) Day Count Fraction: [Actual/Actual Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling) Actual/360 30/360 360/360 **Bond Basis** 30E/360 **Eurobond Basis** 30E/360 (ISDA) **RBA Bond Basis** Actual/Actual (ICMA) 1/1] [specify other from Condition 3 of the General Conditions] (v) Fixed Rate Period: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of Fixed Rate Period provisions which follow] Fixed Rate Period Start Date:  $[\bullet]$ Fixed Rate Period End Date: (vi) Floor Schedule: [As Specified Below]/[Not Applicable] Interest Period(t) (ending Floor(t) on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) (vii) Interest Payment Dates: [•]

(viii) Multiplier1 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier1(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(ix) Multiplier2 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier2(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(x) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s)  Amount:	[Calculation Agent/Agent/if calculation is different from Agent, specify its name and a	the Calculation Agent or
(xi) Range Accrual Cap Criterion:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable	el
( )	[ <i>If applicable</i> ][Less]/[Less/E	-
(xii) Range Accrual Cap Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Range Accrual Cap(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xiii) Range Accrual Floor Criterion:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable	e]
	[If Applicable] [Excess]/[Exc	cess/Equal]
(xiv) Range Accrual Floor Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest	Range Accrual Floor(t)
	Payment Date(t))	
	Payment Date(t))  [●] (specified Interest  Period(t))	[•]
(xv) Range Accrual Observation Dates:	[•] (specified Interest	ess Trading ] Business Day] in each
<ul><li>(xv) Range Accrual Observation Dates:</li><li>(xvi) Range Accrual Observation Period:</li></ul>	[•] (specified Interest Period(t))  [Each [calendar day]/[Busine Day]/[Common][Scheduled Day]/[[Commodity][Bullion	ess Trading ] Business Day] in each Period]/[•] Accrual Period]/[From and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to
	[•] (specified Interest Period(t))  [Each [calendar day]/[Busine Day]/[Common][Scheduled Day]/[[Commodity][Bullion Range Accrual Observation [Each Floating Rate Interest [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion each Interest Payment Date of [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion Days]/[[Co	Trading ] Business Day] in each Period]/[•] Accrual Period]/[From and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to ent Date]  SDA Rate(t)]/[Range
(xvi) Range Accrual Observation Period:	[•] (specified Interest Period(t))  [Each [calendar day]/[Busine Day]/[Common][Scheduled Day]/[[Commodity][Bullion Range Accrual Observation [Each Floating Rate Interest [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion each Interest Payment Date of [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion the following Interest Payment [Range Accrual Reference IS	Trading ] Business Day] in each Period]/[•] Accrual Period]/[From and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to ent Date] SDA Rate(t)]/[Range ate(t)] e] of the Underlying ISDA
<ul><li>(xvi) Range Accrual Observation Period:</li><li>(xvii) Range Accrual Reference Rate(t):</li><li>(a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA</li></ul>	[•] (specified Interest Period(t))  [Each [calendar day]/[Busing Day]/[Common][Scheduled Day]/[[Commodity][Bullion Range Accrual Observation [Each Floating Rate Interest [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion each Interest Payment Date [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion the following Interest Payment Payme	Trading ] Business Day] in each Period]/[•] Accrual Period]/[From and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to ent Date] SDA Rate(t)]/[Range ate(t)] e] of the Underlying ISDA
<ul> <li>(xvi) Range Accrual Observation Period:</li> <li>(xvii) Range Accrual Reference Rate(t):</li> <li>(a) Range Accrual Reference ISDA Rate(t):</li> </ul>	[•] (specified Interest Period(t))  [Each [calendar day]/[Busing Day]/[Common][Scheduled Day]/[[Commodity][Bullion Range Accrual Observation [Each Floating Rate Interest [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion each Interest Payment Date to [including][excluding] [•] [o Days]/[Scheduled Trading Days]/[[Commodity][Bullion the following Interest Payment [Range Accrual Reference Is Accrual Reference Screen R [Applicable]/[Not Applicable [If not applicable, delete all Rate(t) provisions which following Interest Payment [Interest Payment Pa	Trading ] Business Day] in each Period]/[•] Accrual Period]/[From and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to and calendar days]/[Business  n] Business Days] prior to to ent Date] SDA Rate(t)]/[Range ate(t)] e] of the Underlying ISDA

Range Accrual ReferenceRate Reset Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/[[•] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]

(b) Range Accrual Reference Screen Rate(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen Rate(t) provisions which follow]

Range Accrual Reference Rate: [•]

Range Accrual Reference
 Rate Determination Date(t):

[Range Accrual Observation Date]/[[•] (Second London business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if LIBOR (other than euro LIBOR or Sterling LIBOR), the second day on which the TARGET System is open prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if EURIBOR or euro LIBOR, and the second Stockholm business day prior to the Range Accrual Observation Date if STIBOR)]

- Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):
- [•]
- Range Accrual Reference Currency:
- [•]
- (c) Number of Range Accrual Reference Fixing Days:
- [•]
- (d) Range Accrual Reference Fixing Day City:
- [ullet]
- (xviii) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule:

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(xix) Underlying Margin Schedule:

Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin(t)
[•] (specified Interest  Period(t))	[•]

(xx) Underlying Rate(t):

- [Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate(t)]
- (a) Underlying ISDA Rate(t):

[If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying ISDA Rate(t) provisions which follow]

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

Floating Rate Option: [●]Designated Maturity: [●]

Underlying Rate Reset Date(t): [Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/[(specify other)]

(b) Underlying Screen Rate(t):

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Underlying Screen Rate(t) provisions which follow]

Underlying Reference Rate:

[•]

Underlying RateDetermination Date(t):

[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing in Arrear]/ [specify other]

Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):

[ullet]

(c) Number of Fixing Days:

[ullet]

(d) Fixing Day City:

[ullet]

(xxi) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on SnowRanger Interest Notes:

[None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))

34 Barrier(Rates) Interest Note Provisions:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Barrier(Rates)

Interest Note Provisions which follow]

(i) Additional Business Centre(s):

[No Additional Business Centres/specify other]

(ii) Business Day Convention:

[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day

Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business

Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding

Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]

(iii) Day Count Fraction:

[Actual/Actual

Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling)

Actual/360 30/360 360/360 Bond Basis 30E/360 Eurobond Basis

		30E/300 (ISDA)	
		RBA Bond Basis	
		Actual/Actual (ICMA)	
		1/1] [specify other from Conditio Conditions]	n 3 of the General
(i)	Fixed Data Davied	-	ما
(IV)	Fixed Rate Period:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicabl [If not applicable, delete all	-
		provisions which follow]	of the 1 then Rate I errou
	<ul><li>Fixed Rate Period Start Date:</li></ul>	[●]	
	<ul><li>Fixed Rate Period End Date:</li></ul>	[●]	
(v)	Interest Payment Dates:	[●]	
(vi)	Lower Barrier Criterion:	[Excess]/[Excess/Equal]	
(vii)	Lower Barrier Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Lower Barrier(t)
		[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(viii)	Multiplier(Barrier) Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier(Barrier)(t)
		[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(ix)	Multiplier(Lower Barrier) Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier(Lower Barrier)(t)
		[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(x)	Multiplier(Upper Barrier) Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Multiplier(Upper Barrier)(t)
		[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xi)	Party responsible for calculating the	[Calculation Agent/Agent/if	the party making the
	Rate of Interest and Interest(s) Amount:	calculation is different from Agent, specify its name and	· ·
(vii)		Interest Period(t) (ending on	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)
(XII)	Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule:	(but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Kate of Interest(Fixeu)(t)
		[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xiii)	Underlying Margin1 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin1(t)
		[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xiv)	Underlying Margin2 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest	Underlying Margin2(t)

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	Payment Date(t))	
	[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xv) Underlying Margin3 Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Underlying Margin3(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xvi) Underlying Rate(t):	[Underlying ISDA Rate(t)]/[Underlying Screen Rate(t)]	
(a) Underlying ISDA Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]	
	[If not applicable, delete all a Rate(t) provisions which follows:	
<ul><li>Floating Rate Option:</li></ul>	[•]	
<ul> <li>Designated Maturity:</li> </ul>	[•]	
<ul><li>Underlying Rate Reset</li><li>Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	in Arrear]/[specify other]
(b) Underlying Screen Rate(t):	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable	e]
	[If not applicable, delete all a Rate(t) provisions which follows:	
– Underlying Reference Rate:	[•]	
<ul><li>Underlying Rate</li><li>Determination Date(t):</li></ul>	[Fixing in Advance]/[Fixing	in Arrear]/[specify other]
<ul><li>Relevant Screen Page (Underlying):</li></ul>	[•]	
(c) Number of Fixing Days:	[•]	
(d) Fixing Day City:	[•]	
(xvii) Upper Barrier Criterion:	[Less]/[Less/Equal]	
(xviii) Upper Barrier Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Upper Barrier(t)
	[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
(xix)Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Barrier(Rates)	[None/Aggregate Nominal A applicable]	mount Determination is
Interest Notes:	(Specify Aggregate Nominal the Interest Amount is to be a the aggregate nominal amou	determined on the basis of

outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is

specified in these Final Terms))

		erence Item(Inflation) Performance ked Interest Note Provisions:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of the Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest Note Provisions which follow]	
	(i)	Additional Business Centre(s):	[No Additional Business Centre	es/(specify other)]
	(ii)	Business Day Convention:	[Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)]	
	(iii)	Cap Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Cap(t)
			[●] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]
	(iv)	Day Count Fraction:	[Actual/Actual Actual/Actual (ISDA) Actual/365 (Fixed) Actual/365 (Sterling) Actual/360 30/360 30/360 Bond Basis 30E/360 Eurobond Basis 30E/360 (ISDA) RBA Bond Basis Actual/Actual (ICMA) 1/1] [specify other from Condition 3 Conditions]	of the General
	(v)	Fixed Rate Period:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable] [If not applicable, delete all of t provisions which follow]	he Fixed Rate Period
	_	Fixed Rate Period Start Date:	[•]	
	_	Fixed Rate Period End Date:	[●]]	
	(vi)	Floor Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Floor(t)
			[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]

(vii) Initial Reference Month:

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(viii) Interest Payment Dates:  $[\bullet]$ (ix) Participation:  $[\bullet]$ (x) Party responsible for calculating the [Calculation Agent/Agent/if the party making the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) calculation is different from the Calculation Agent or Amount: *Agent, specify its name and address*] Interest Period(t) (ending on Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t) (xi) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) Interest Period(t) (ending on Reference Month(t) (xii) Reference Month Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) Underlying Margin1(t) Interest Period(t) (ending on (xiii) Underlying Margin1 Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [•] Period(t)) **Underlying Margin2(t)** Interest Period(t) (ending on (xiv) Underlying Margin2 Schedule: (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t)) [•] (specified Interest [ullet]Period(t)) (xv) Other terms relating to the method [None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is of calculating interest on Reference applicable] Item(Inflation) Performance Linked (Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if Interest Notes: the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))] 36 Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed [Applicable]/[Not Applicable] **Interest Note Provisions:** [If not applicable, delete all of the Reference Item(Inflation) Indexed Interest Note Provisions which follow] Additional Business Centre(s): [No Additional Business Centres/(specify other)] (i) (ii) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)] Interest Period(t) (ending on Cap(t) (iii) Cap Schedule:

(but excluding) Interest

	Payment Date(t))		
	[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(iv) Day Count Fraction:	[Actual/Actual		
	Actual/Actual (ISDA)		
	Actual/365 (Fixed)		
	Actual/365 (Sterling)		
	Actual/360 30/360		
	360/360		
	Bond Basis		
	30E/360		
	Eurobond Basis 30E/360 (ISDA)		
	RBA Bond Basis Actual/Actual (ICMA)		
	1/1]		
	[specify other from Condition Conditions]	on 3 of the General	
(v) Fixed Rate Period:	[Applicable]/[Not Applicab	le]	
	[If not applicable, delete all provisions which follow]	l of the Fixed Rate Period	
<ul> <li>Fixed Rate Period Start Date:</li> </ul>	[•]		
<ul> <li>Fixed Rate Period End Date:</li> </ul>	[•]		
(vi) Floor Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Floor(t)	
	[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(vii) Initial Reference Month:	[•]		
(viii) Interest Payment Dates:	[•]		
(ix) Party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and Interest(s) Amount:	[Calculation Agent/Agent/ij calculation is different from Agent, specify its name and	the Calculation Agent or	
(x) Rate of Interest(Fixed) Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Rate of Interest(Fixed)(t)	
	[•] (specified Interest Period(t))	[•]	
(xi) Reference Month Schedule:	Interest Period(t) (ending on (but excluding) Interest Payment Date(t))	Reference Month(t)	
	[•] (specified Interest  Period(t))	[•]	

Period(t))

(xii) Other terms relating to the method of calculating interest on Reference Item(Inflation) Performance Linked Interest Notes: [None/Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination is applicable]

(Specify Aggregate Nominal Amount Determination if the Interest Amount is to be determined on the basis of the aggregate nominal amount of the series of Notes outstanding rather than on the basis of the Specified Denomination (or the Calculation Amount if one is specified in these Final Terms))

#### PROVISIONS RELATING TO REDEMPTION

37 Issuer Call:

[Applicable/Not Applicable]

(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

- (i) Optional Redemption Date(s):
- (ii) Optional Redemption Amount of each Note:
- (iii) If redeemable in part:
  - (a) Minimum Redemption Amount of each Note:
  - (b) Maximum Redemption Amount of each Note:
- (iv) Notice period:
- 38 Investor Put:
  - (i) Optional Redemption Date(s):
  - (ii) Optional Redemption Amount of each Note:
  - (iii) Notice period:
- 39 Final Redemption Amount of each Note:

(For Italian Certificates only:)

- (i) Renouncement Notice Date:
- 40 Inflation Indexed Redemption Note Provisions:
  - (i) Initial Reference Month:

- [•] per [Specified Denomination] [Calculation Amount] [Unit]<sup>13</sup>
- [•] per [Specified Denomination] [Calculation Amount] [Unit]<sup>14</sup>
- [•] per [Specified Denomination] [Calculation Amount] [Unit]<sup>15</sup>
- [•] [As per Conditions]

[Applicable/Not Applicable]

(If not applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)

- $[\bullet]$
- [•] per [Specified Denomination] [Calculation Amount] [Unit]<sup>16</sup>
- [•][As per Conditions]
- [[●] per [Specified Denomination] [Calculation Amount] [Unit]<sup>17</sup>]

[Not Applicable/specify]

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Inflation Indexed Redemption Note Provisions which follow]

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Only required if Notes issued in unitised form

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Only required if Notes issued in unitised form

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Only required if Notes issued in unitised form

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Only required if Notes issued in unitised form

Only required if Notes issued in unitised form

(ii) Final Reference Month:

41 Inflation Indexed with Floor Redemption Note Provisions: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Inflation Indexed with Floor Redemption Note Provisions which follow]

(i) Initial Reference Month:

(ii) Final Reference Month:

[ullet]

[•]

 $[\bullet]$ 

(iii) Inflation Cap:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

(iv) Inflation Floor:

[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

(v) Redemption Margin1:

[•]

(vi) Redemption Margin2:

[•]

### 42 Other:

 (i) Early Redemption Amount of each Note payable on redemption for taxation reasons or on Issuer event of default: [•][[•] per [Specified Denomination] [Calculation Amount] [Unit] [Early Redemption Amount to be equal to Fair Market Value as set out in Condition 7(e)(iv) of the General Conditions[, determined [•] Business Days prior to the date [fixed for redemption] [upon which the Note becomes due and payable] [not taking into account the cost to the Issuer of amending or liquidating any financial instruments or transactions entered into by the Issuer in connection with the Note, together with any costs, expenses, fees or taxes incurred by the Issuer in respect of any such financial instruments or transactions]

(ii) Notice period (if other than as set out in the General Conditions):

[●]

(N.B. If setting notice periods which are different to those provided in the General Conditions, the Issuer is advised to consider the practicalities of distribution of information through intermediaries, for example, clearing systems and custodians, as well as any other notice requirements which may apply, for example, as between the Issuer and the Agent)

(iii) Redemption by Instalments:

[Applicable/Not Applicable]

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Instalment Date	Instalment Amount	
[•]	[•]	
[•]	[•]	
]		

(iv) Clean-Up Call:

[Applicable/Not Applicable]

### GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTES

43 Form of Notes:

[Bearer Notes:

(i) Form:

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for a Permanent

Global Note which is [not] exchangeable for Definitive Notes [on 60 days' notice given at any time/only on the occurrence of an Exchange Event, subject to mandatory provisions of applicable laws and regulations.]]

[Temporary Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes (Bearer Notes only) on and after the Exchange Date, subject to mandatory provisions of applicable laws and regulations.]

[Permanent Global Note [not] exchangeable for Definitive Notes (Bearer Notes only) [on 60 days' notice given at any time/only on the occurrence of an Exchange Event, subject to mandatory provisions of applicable laws and regulations.]] [This option cannot be used for Notes issued in accordance with the TEFRA D Rules]

[Registered Notes:

Reg. S Notes: Reg. S Global Note

Rule 144A Notes: Rule 144A Global Note (Restricted

Notes)]

[Definitive Notes: Standard Euromarket]

["Italian Bonds"/"Italian Certificates"]

["Finnish Notes"]
["Norwegian Notes"]

["Swedish Notes"]

["Australian Domestic Notes"/"Australian Domestic Transferable Deposits"]

(The exchange upon notice or at any time should not be expressed to be applicable if the Specified Denomination of the Notes in paragraph 6 includes language substantially to the following effect:  $[\[epsilon]\]$  and integral multiples of  $[\[epsilon]\]$  in excess thereof [up to and including  $[\[epsilon]\]$  Furthermore, such Specified Denomination construction is not permitted in relation to any issue of Notes which is to be represented on issue by a Temporary Global Note exchangeable for Definitive Notes)

[Yes/No] (Normally elect "yes" opposite "New Global Note" only if you have elected "yes" to the Section in Part B under the heading "Operational Information" entitled "Intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility")

[Not Applicable/give details]

(Note that this sub-paragraph relates to the date and place of payment and not the end dates of interest periods for the purposes of calculating the amount of

(ii) New Global Note:

44 Additional Financial Centre(s) or other special provisions relating to Payment Days:

interest, to which sub-paragraphs 15(i) and 15(iii)

relate)

45 Talons for future Coupons to be attached to

Definitive Bearer Notes (and dates on

which such Talons mature):

[Yes/No. *If yes, give details*]

(Talons should be specified if there will be more than 26 coupons or if the total interest payments may exceed the

principal due on early redemption)

### 46 FX, BENCHMARK, FX CONVERTIBILITY EVENT, FX TRANSFERABILITY EVENT AND TAX EVENT PROVISIONS

(i) **FX Provisions:** [specify as applicable or delete if N/A]

Scheduled Valuation Date: [specify]

Primary FX Rate: [specify, including the time of day on which the

exchange rate is to be taken][Not Applicable]

Fallback FX Rate: [specify, including the time of day on which the

exchange rate is to be taken][Not Applicable]

Maximum Period of Postponement: [●] [specify number] calendar days

Unscheduled Holiday Jurisdiction: [specify] /Not Applicable]

Relevant FX Amount payment date: [specify if Relevant FX Amount not to be paid two

Business Days following the day on which it is determined by the Calculation Agent] [In accordance

with Condition 21]

Relevant Currency: [specify]

(ii) **Benchmark Provisions:** [specify as applicable or delete if N/A]

Scheduled Valuation Date: [specify]

Primary Benchmark: [specify including the time of day on which the

benchmark is to be measured][Not Applicable]

Fallback Benchmark: [specify including the time of day on which the

benchmark is to be measured][Not Applicable]

Relevant Benchmark Amount

payment date:

Postponement Provisions: [Applicable]

Maximum Period of Postponement: [•] [specify number] Business Days

Relevant Benchmark Amount [specify if Relevant Benchmark Amount not to be paid

two Business Days following the day on which it is determined by the Calculation Agent] [In accordance

with Condition 21]

Relevant Currency: [specify]

(iii) **FX Convertibility Event Provisions:** [specify as applicable or delete if N/A]

Relevant Currency: [specify]
Relevant Jurisdiction: [specify]

Other: [Applicable] [If the Issuer is not to be

entitled to all amounts in any account opened by it pursuant to Condition 21 (c)(i) if it cannot or cannot

reasonably make payment on the Notes for a period of

five years from the date on which payment was

originally due to be made, or if a period other than five

years is to apply, then give details here]

(iv) **FX Transferability Event Provisions:** [specify as applicable or delete if N/A]

Relevant Currency: [specify]

Relevant Jurisdiction: [specify] [Not Applicable]

Other: [Applicable] [If the Issuer is not to be

entitled to all amounts in any account opened by it pursuant to Condition 21 (c)(i) if it cannot or cannot reasonably make payment on the Notes for a period of

five years from the date on which payment was

originally due to be made, or if a period other than five

years is to apply, then give details here]

(v) **Tax Event Provisions:** [specify as applicable or delete if N/A]

Relevant Currency: [specify]

Relevant Jurisdiction: [specify] [Not Applicable]

Any changes to Condition 21 (d): [specify/None]

47 INFLATION LINKED PROVISIONS: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]

[If not applicable, delete all of the Inflation Linked

Provisions which follow]

(i) Index: [●]/[Not Applicable]

(ii) Index Sponsor: [●]

(iii) Related Bond: [●]/[Not Applicable]

(iv) Issuer of Related Bond: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable][if applicable, specify]

(v) Related Bond Redemption Event: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable][if applicable, specify]

(vi) Determination Date: [●]

(vii) Cut-Off Date: In respect of a Determination Date, the day that is [●]

Business Days prior to such Determination Date.

(viii) Business Day Convention: [Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day

Convention (Adjusted)/Following Business Day Convention (Unadjusted)/Modified Following Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Modified

Following Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention (Adjusted)/Preceding Business Day Convention

(Unadjusted)]

(ix) Change in Law: [Applicable]/[Not Applicable]/[specify]

### [Third Party Information

[Relevant third party information] has been extracted from [specify source]. The Issuer confirms that such information has been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware and is able to ascertain from

information published by [specify source], no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced
information inaccurate or misleading.]

Signed on behalf of the Issuer:

[ING BANK N.V.[, SYDNEY BRANCH]/ING AMERICAS ISSUANCE B.V.]

By:

Duly authorised

By:

Duly authorised

[Signed on behalf of the Guarantor:

ING BANK N.V.

By:

 $Duly\ authorised$ 

By:

Duly authorised]

### PART B – OTHER INFORMATION

### 1 LISTING

(i) Listing: [Euronext Amsterdam/the Luxembourg Stock

Exchange/the Italian Stock Exchange MOT/the Italian Stock Exchange SeDeX/the unregulated market of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (Freiverkehr)/other

(specify)/ None]

(ii) Admission to trading: [Application [has been made] [is expected to be made]

by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Notes to be admitted to trading on [Euronext Amsterdam/the Luxembourg Stock Exchange/the Italian Stock Exchange MOT/the Italian Stock Exchange SeDeX/the

unregulated market of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (Freiverkehr)/other (specify)] with effect from [•][the

first day of "as-if-and-when-issued-trading"].]

[Not Applicable]

[The Notes will be consolidated and form a single Series with the Existing Notes which are admitted to trading on [Euronext Amsterdam/the Luxembourg Stock Exchange/the Italian Stock Exchange MOT/the Italian Stock Exchange SeDeX/the unregulated market of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (Freiverkehr)/other (specify)]]

(Include where documenting a fungible issue whereby original Notes are already admitted to trading.)

(iii) As-if-and-when-issued-trading: [Three Business Days preceding the Issue Date/Not

Applicable]
(iv) Estimate of total expenses related to admission [•]

to trading:

(Consider if disclosed under paragraph 4)

(v) Minimum Transferable Amount: [Specify/Not Applicable]

(Applicable only to Italian Certificates to be listed on SeDeX or on other markets which provide so)

### 2 RATINGS

(i) Ratings: [The Notes will not be rated]

[The Notes to be issued have been rated:

[Standard & Poor's: [●]]

[Moody's: [●]]

[Fitch: [●]]
[[Other]: [●]]

(The above disclosure should reflect the rating

allocated to Notes of the type being issued under the Programme generally or, where the issue has been specifically rated, that rating. In addition, the full legal name of the entity providing or endorsing the applicable rating should be included and it should be stated whether the entity is established in the EU and registered under the CRA Regulation, if the rating is issued other than by Standard & Poor's, Moody's or Fitch.)

Need to include a brief explanation of the meaning of the ratings if this has previously been published by the rating provider.

Insert one (or more) of the following options, as applicable:

### Option 1: CRA is (i) established in the EU and (ii) registered under the CRA Regulation:

[Insert legal name of particular credit rating agency entity providing rating] is established in the EU and registered under Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 [(the "CRA Regulation")].

### Option 2: CRA is (i) established in the EU; (ii) not registered under the CRA Regulation; but (iii) has applied for registration:

[Insert legal name of particular credit rating agency entity providing rating] is established in the EU and has applied for registration under Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 (the "CRA Regulation"), although notification of the registration decision has not yet been provided.

## Option 3: CRA is (i) established in the EU; and (ii) has not applied for registration/is not registered under the CRA Regulation:

[Insert legal name of particular credit rating agency entity providing rating] is established in the EU and is neither registered nor has it applied for registration under Regulation (EC) No 1060/ 2009 [(the "CRA Regulation")].

# Option 4: CRA is not established in the EU but the relevant rating is endorsed by a CRA which is established and registered under the CRA Regulation:

[Insert legal name of particular credit rating agency entity providing rating] is not established in the EU but the rating it has given to the Notes is endorsed by [insert legal name of credit rating agency], which is

established in the EU and registered under Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 [(the "CRA Regulation")].

Option 5: CRA is not established in the EU and the relevant rating is not endorsed under the CRA Regulation, but the CRA is certified under the CRA Regulation:

[Insert legal name of particular credit rating agency entity providing rating is not established in the EU but is certified under Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 [(the "CRA Regulation")].

Option 6: CRA is neither established in the EU nor certified under the CRA Regulation and the relevant rating is not endorsed under the CRA Regulation:

[Insert legal name of particular credit rating agency entity providing rating] is not established in the EU and is not certified under Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 (the "CRA Regulation") and the rating it has given to the Notes is not endorsed by a credit rating agency established in the EU and registered under the CRA Regulation.

[Indicate the amount of any expenses and taxes specifically

#### 3 INTERESTS OF NATURAL AND LEGAL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE ISSUE/OFFER

["Save for any fees payable to the [Managers/Dealers], so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the issue of the Notes has an interest material to the offer. The [Managers/Dealers] and their affiliates have engaged, and may in the future engage, in investment banking and/or commercial banking transactions with, and may perform other services for, the Issuer and its affiliates in the ordinary course of business."]

[Not Applicable]

#### 4

REASONS FOR THE OFFER, ESTIMATED NET PROCEEDS AND TOTAL EXPENSES (i) Reasons for the offer: [•] (See "Use of Proceeds" wording in the Base Prospectus - if reasons for offer different from making profit and/or hedging certain risks will need to include those reasons here)  $[\bullet]$ (ii) Estimated net proceeds: (If proceeds are intended for more than one use will need to split out and present in order of priority. If proceeds insufficient to fund all proposed uses state amount and sources of other funding) (iii) Estimated total expenses: [•] [*Include breakdown of expenses*]

charged to the subscribers or purchasers]

[The terms of the Public Offer do not provide for any expenses and/or taxes to be charged to any subscriber and/or purchaser of the Notes.]]<sup>18</sup>

### 5 YIELD (Fixed Rate Notes only)

Indication of yield: [Not Applicable] [●]

As set out above, the yield is calculated at the Issue Date on the basis of the Issue Price. It is not an indication of future yield.]

### 6 [HISTORIC INTEREST RATES (Floating Rate Notes only)

Details of historic [LIBOR/EURIBOR/STIBOR/other] rates can be obtained from [Reuters] Screen Page  $[\bullet]$ .]

## 7 [PERFORMANCE OF FORMULA/OTHER VARIABLE, AND OTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING THE UNDERLYING (Variable Interest Rate Notes and Inflation Linked Notes only)

(Need to include (i) details of where past and further performance and volatility of the formula/other variable can be obtained and (ii) where the Notes are Inflation Linked Notes, information about where information about the inflation index can be obtained.)<sup>20</sup>

### 8 OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

(v) Delivery:

(i) ISIN: [●]

[Swedish Notes: ISIN code applies but Euroclear Sweden code may also be inserted if deemed appropriate]

- (ii) Common Code: [●]
- (iii) Other relevant code: [●] [Not Applicable]
- (iv) Any clearing system(s) other than [●] [Not Applicable] Euroclear Bank SA/NV and Clearstream Banking S.A., Clearstream Banking AG, Eschborn, Euroclear Netherlands and the Depository Trust Company and the relevant identification number(s):

Delivery [against/free of] payment

[The delivery of Notes shall be made free of payment to the Issuer's account number 22529 with Euroclear. Any subsequent delivery of Notes from the Issuer's account number 22529 with Euroclear to the relevant Dealer(s)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt PD Notes or Exempt Notes.

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shall be made against payment.]

- (vi) Names and addresses of additional Paying [●] Agent(s) (if any):
- (vii) Name and address of Calculation Agent (if [●] other than the Issuer or Guarantor):
- (viii) Name and address ofRegistrar/Norwegian Registrar/Swedish Registrar/Australian Registrar:

Finnish [Euroclear Finland Oy, Urho Kekkosen katu 5 C, P.O. Box 1110, FIN-00101 Helsinki, Finland] [Other] [Finnish] Notes]

> [VPS ASA, Fred. Olsens gate 1, P.O. Box 4, 0051 Oslo, Norway] [Other] [Norwegian Notes]

[Euroclear Sweden AB, Klarabergsviadukten 63, Box 191, 101 23, Stockholm, Sweden] [Other] [Swedish Notes] [Austraclear Services Limited, 30 Grosvenor Street, Sydney NSW 2000] [Australian Domestic Notes/ Australian Domestic Transferable Deposits]

- /Norwegian Issuing Agent/ Swedish Issuing Finnish Issuing Agent] Agent:
- (ix) Name and address of Finnish Issuing Agent [[•], [•]] [For Finnish Notes: Insert name and address of
  - [[●], [●]] [For Norwegian Notes: Insert name and address of VPS Manager]
  - [[●], [●]] [For Swedish Notes: Insert name of Swedish Issuing Agent]
- (x) Intended to be held in a manner which [Yes][No] would allow Eurosystem eligibility:

[Include this text if "Yes" selected: Note that the designation "Yes" simply means that the Notes are intended upon issue to be deposited with one of the International Central Securities Depositories as Common Safekeeper and does not necessarily mean that the Notes will be recognised as eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and intra-day credit operations by the Eurosystem either upon issue or at any or all times during their life. Such recognition will depend upon the ECB being satisfied that Eurosystem eligibility criteria have been met.]

[Include this text if "No" selected: Whilst the designation is set at "No", should the Eurosystem eligibility criteria be amended in the future the Notes may then be deposited with one of the International Central Securities Depositories as Common Safekeeper. Note that this does not necessarily mean that the Notes will ever be recognised as eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and intra-day credit operations by the Eurosystem at any time during their life. Such recognition will depend upon the ECB being satisfied that Eurosystem eligibility criteria have been met.]["No" must be selected if the Notes are to be held in Euroclear Netherlands and/or if

### 9 DISTRIBUTION

(i) Method of distribution: [Syndicated/Non-syndicated]

(ii) If syndicated, names [and addresses]<sup>21</sup> of Managers [and underwriting commitments]<sup>22</sup>:

[Not Applicable/give names, addresses and underwriting commitments]

(Include names and addresses of entities agreeing to underwrite the issue on a firm commitment basis and names and addresses of the entities agreeing to place the issue without a firm commitment or extra information will be required if the managers and underwriters are not the same or if the placing is on a "best efforts" basis if such entities are not the same as the Managers. Where applicable, set out the material features of any underwriting agreements, including quotas, and where an issue is only partially underwritten, include a statement of the portion not covered)

(iii) Date of Syndication Agreement: [Not Applicable] [●]<sup>23</sup>

(iv) Stabilising Manager(s) (if any): [Not Applicable] [give name(s)]

(v) If non-syndicated, name [address]<sup>24</sup> of relevant Dealer:

[and [Not Applicable/specify name [and address]<sup>25</sup> of dealer] [The Notes are not being underwritten by any Dealer(s). (i.e. if Notes

are to be directly sold by the Issuer)]

(Where not all of the issue is underwritten, indicate the portion

not covered)

(vi) Total commission and concession: [Not Applicable] [[●] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal

Amount<sup>26</sup>

(vii) U.S. Selling Restrictions: [Reg. S Selling Restrictions/Rule 144A Selling Restrictions]

[Reg. S Compliance Category[2]; TEFRA C/TEFRA D/TEFRA

Not Applicable]

(TEFRA not applicable to Finnish Notes, Norwegian Notes and Swedish Notes, or to Bearer Notes with a term of one year or less (taking into account any unilateral right to extend or roll

over the term) or Registered Notes)

(viii) ERISA: [Not Applicable] [Yes/No]

(Yes relates to ability of employee benefit plans subject to ERISA

to buy)

(ix) Additional selling restrictions: [Not Applicable]

[Include the following text for Notes that are structured products within the meaning of the Swiss Act on Collective Investment

Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt PD Notes or Exempt Notes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt PD Notes or Exempt Notes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt PD Notes or Exempt Notes.

Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt PD Notes or Exempt Notes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt PD Notes or Exempt Notes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Only required in the case of a Tranche of Non-Exempt PD Notes.

Schemes and which will not be distributed in or from Switzerland. Please note that the distribution of structured products in Switzerland is subject to the preparation of a simplified prospectus in accordance with Swiss regulations which needs to be available from a Swiss branch of the issuer: The Notes may not be distributed to non-qualified investors in or from Switzerland and neither this document nor any other offering or marketing material relating to the Notes may be distributed to non-qualified investors in or from Switzerland, as such terms are defined under the Swiss Collective Investment Scheme Act (the "CISA"), its implementing ordinances and the relevant practice of FINMA. The Notes may only be distributed in or from Switzerland to qualified investors, as such terms are defined under the CISA, its implementing ordinances and the relevant practice of FINMA. This document does not constitute a simplified prospectus within the meaning of Art. 5 CISA. The Notes are not intended to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange ("SIX") or on any other regulated securities markets in Switzerland and consequently the information presented in this document does not necessarily comply with the information standards set out in the relevant listing rules. The Notes do not constitute participations in a collective investment scheme in the meaning of the CISA. Therefore, the Notes are not subject to the approval of, or supervision by, the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority FINMA ("FINMA"), and investors in the Notes will not benefit from protection under the CISA or supervision by FINMA.]

(x) Non-Exempt Offer:

[Not Applicable] [An offer of the Notes may be made by the Managers and [insert names and addresses of financial intermediaries receiving consent (specific consent)] (together [with the Managers] the "Initial Authorised Offerors")] [and any additional financial intermediaries who have or obtain the Issuer's consent to use the Prospectus in connection with the Non-Exempt Offer and who are identified on the Issuer's website at <a href="https://www.ingmarkets.com/en-nl/ing-markets/">https://www.ingmarkets.com/en-nl/ing-markets/</a> as an Authorised Offeror (together, being persons to whom the Issuer has given consent, the "Authorised Offerors") other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in [Austria/Belgium/France/Germany/Italy/Luxembourg/Malta/The Netherlands/Portugal/Spain] (the "Public Offer Jurisdictions") during the period from [specify date] until [specify date] (the "Offer Period"). See further paragraph [10 (xiii))] below.

(xi) General Consent:

[Not Applicable] [Applicable]

### 10 [GENERAL

(i) Total amount of the offer; if the amount is [•]

not fixed, description of the arrangements and time for announcing the definitive amount to the public:

(ii) Conditions to which the offer is subject:

[Offers of the Notes are conditional on their issue. As between the Authorised Offerors and their customers, offers of the Notes are further subject to conditions as may be agreed between them and/or as specified in the arrangements in place between them.] [as set out on page  $[\bullet]][\bullet]$ 

(iii) Description of the application process:

[A prospective Noteholder should contact the applicable Authorised Offeror in the applicable Public Offer Jurisdiction prior to the end of the Offer Period. A prospective Noteholder will subscribe for the Notes in accordance with the arrangements existing between such Authorised Offeror and its customers relating to the subscription of securities generally. Noteholders will not be required to enter into any contractual arrangements directly with the Issuer in connection with the subscription of the Notes.] [as set out on page [•]] [•]

subscriptions:

(iv) Description of possibility to reduce [Not Applicable. The terms of the Public Offer do not provide for any reductions of subscriptions.] [Investors may not be allocated all of the Notes for which they apply. The offering may, at the discretion of the Issuer, be cancelled at any time prior to the Issue Date.] [as set out on page  $[\bullet]$   $[\bullet]$ 

(v) Manner for refunding excess amount paid by applicants:

[Not Applicable. The terms of the Public Offer do not provide for any refunds of excess amounts paid by applicants.] [as set out on page [●]] [●]

(vi) Minimum and/or maximum amount of application:

[There are no pre-identified allotment criteria. The Authorised Offerors will adopt allotment criteria in accordance with customary market practices and applicable laws and regulations.] [as set out on page [•]]  $[\bullet]$ 

(vii) Method and time limit for paying up the securities and for delivery of the Notes:

[Investors will be notified by the relevant Authorised Offeror of their allocations of Notes and the settlement arrangements in respect thereof. The Notes will be issued on the Issue Date against payment to the Issuer of the net subscription moneys.] [as set out on page [●]] [●]

offer are to be made public:

(viii) Manner and date on which results of the [Investors will be notified by the Issuer or any applicable financial intermediary of their allocations of Notes and the settlement procedures in respect thereof on or around [date].] [as set out on page  $[\bullet]$ ]  $[\bullet]$ 

(ix) Procedure for exercise of any right of pre- [Not Applicable. The terms of the Public Offer do not emption, the negotiability of subscription provide for a procedure for the exercise of any right of prerights and the treatment of subscription emption or negotiability of subscription rights.] [as set out

rights not exercised:

- tranche(s) have been reserved for certain countries:
- (xi) Process for notification to applicants of the amount allotted and the indication whether dealing may begin before notification is made:

- (xii) Amount of any expenses and taxes specifically charged to the subscriber or purchaser:
- (xiii) Name(s) and address(es), to the extent known to the Issuer, of the placers in the various countries where the offer takes place:

on page  $[\bullet]$   $[\bullet]$ 

(x) Categories of potential investors to which [Offers may be made by the Authorised Offerors in each of the Notes are offered and whether the Public Offer Jurisdictions to any person during the Offer Period. In other European Economic Area countries and in all jurisdictions (including the Public Offer Jurisdictions) outside of the Offer Period, offers will only be made by the Issuer [and any Managers] pursuant to an exemption under the Prospectus Directive, as implemented in such countries. All offers of the Notes will be made in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.] [•]

> [[A prospective Noteholder may not be allocated all of the Notes for which they apply during the Offer Period]/[A prospective Noteholder will receive 100 per cent. of the amount of the Notes allocated to it during the Offer Period. Prospective Noteholders will be notified by the applicable Authorised Offeror in accordance with the arrangements in place between such Authorised Offeror and the prospective Noteholders. No dealings in the Notes on a regulated market for the purposes of the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive 2004/39/EC may take place prior to the Issue Date.] [•]

> [Not Applicable. The terms of the Public Offer do not provide for any expenses and/or taxes to be charged to any subscriber and/or purchaser of the Notes.] [●]

> The Initial Authorised Offerors identified in paragraph 9 above [and any additional Authorised Offerors who have or obtain the Issuer's consent to use the Prospectus in connection with the Public Offer and who are identified on the Issuer's website as an Authorised Offeror] (together, the "Authorised Offerors").]27

#### 11 FEES

ING Hedging and Margin:

Distribution/Structuring Fees:

[•]% of the Aggregate Nominal Amount

(where "ING Hedging and Margin" means, as on the Trade Date, (a) the total costs of hedging the Notes; and (b) the total margin for the Issuer based on the fair value calculations done by the Issuer in a commercially reasonable manner, which are included in the Issue Price)

[•]% of the Aggregate Nominal Amount

(where "Distribution/Structuring Fees" means, as on the Trade Date, the fee payable by the Issuer to a third party for (a) distributing, (b) structuring and/or (c) providing advice in relation to the Notes. The

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Delete in the case of a Tranche of Exempt PD Notes or Exempt Notes.

Distribution/Structuring Fees are included in the Issue Price).] <sup>28</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Delete if fees not to be disclosed.

## **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The net proceeds from each issue of Notes will be applied by the relevant Issuer for its general corporate purposes.

#### **TAXATION**

Subject as set out in the following sentence, the following section applies to Notes issued by the Global Issuer and Notes issued by the Australian Issuer only. The disclosure in the section "United States Taxation" applies to Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer only, the disclosure in the section "Australian Taxation" applies to Notes issued by the Australian Issuer only and the disclosure in the sections "Foreign Account Tax Compliance Withholding" and "Dutch Taxation" applies to Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer. The information in this section does not address the tax consequences in connection with the purchase of the Notes in any other jurisdiction than the jurisdictions mentioned below. Any prospective purchaser of Notes should consult his or her own tax adviser regarding the tax consequences of acquiring, holding, redeeming and/or disposing of Notes.

#### **AUSTRIAN TAXATION**

The following is a general overview of certain Austrian tax aspects in connection with the Notes and contains the information required on taxation by the Commission Regulation (EC) No 809/2004 of 29 April 2004 as amended. It does not claim to fully describe all Austrian tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership, disposition or redemption of the Notes nor does it take into account the Noteholders' individual circumstances or any special tax treatment applicable to the Noteholder. It is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice. It is recommended that prospective investors of the Notes consult with their legal and tax advisors as to the particular tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership, disposition or redemption of the Notes.

This overview is based on Austrian law as in force when drawing up this Base Prospectus. It is based on the currently valid tax legislation, case law and regulations of the tax authorities, as well as their respective interpretation, all of which may be amended from time to time. Such amendments may possibly also be effected with retroactive effect and may negatively impact on the tax consequences described. For the purposes of the following it is assumed that the Notes are legally and factually offered to an indefinite number of persons.

The Austrian parliament has in July 2015 passed a Tax Reform Act 2015/2016 (StRefG 2015/2016), an Account Registry and Account Inspection Act, an Act on Notification Requirements relating to Capital Outflow Reporting and an Act on Implementation of Common Reporting Standards for the Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information. The Tax Reform Act 2015/2016 entered into force on 1 January 2016. The Account Registry and Inspection Act is planned to apply by August or September 2016 (this is the envisaged go-live date of the account registry database within the Federal Computing Center (*BRZ*)), but to enable a disclosure of data of accountholders as well as inspection rights on account data including account turnovers and account balances for periods beginning with 1 March 2015. The Capital Outflow Reporting Act has already entered into force and includes reporting periods beginning with 1 March 2015 for account and securities account related data. The Common Reporting Standard Act entered into force on 1 January 2016 and enables the automatic exchange of information on financial accounts in tax matters relating to new accounts opened on or after 1 October 2016 beginning with 30 June 2017. Further, the Austrian Tax Amendment Act 2015 has entered into force on 1 January 2016 amending the taxation on relocation from Austria (*Wegzug*) of individuals.

Neither the relevant Issuer nor (if applicable) the Guarantor assumes responsibility for Austrian withholding tax at source and is not obliged to make additional payments in case of withholding tax deductions at source.

#### **EU Savings Tax Directive**

Austria has implemented the EU Savings Tax Directive (the "EU Savings Directive") by way of the EU Withholding Tax Act (EU-Quellensteuergesetz) which provides for a withholding tax as an alternative to an exchange of information if the investor decides to remain anonymous. Such EU withholding tax is levied on interest payments within the meaning of the EU Withholding Tax Act made by a paying agent located in Austria to an individual resident or certain entities within the meaning of Article 4 paragraph 2 of the EU Savings Directive for tax purposes in another member state of the European Union or certain dependent and associated territories. The EU withholding tax currently amounts to 35%.

No EU withholding tax is deducted if the EU-resident Noteholder provides the paying agent with a certificate drawn up in his name by the tax office of his member state of residence. Such certificate has to indicate, among other things, the name and address of the paying agent as well as the bank account number of the Noteholder or the identification of the Notes (section 10 of the EU Withholding Tax Act). Notes are treated for tax purposes as follows: interest payments as well as accrued interest derived from a sale of the notes are subject to EU withholding tax (irrespectively whether having been publicly offered or not).

Council Directive 2015/2060/EU has repealed the EU Savings Tax Directive in general with legal effect from 1 January 2016. However, due to particular transitional provisions the Austrian law implementation provisions relating to the EU Savings Directive remain applicable within Austria until 31 December 2016. This transitional regime will, however, not apply to interest payments effected after 1 October 2016 with regard to newly-opened accounts within the meaning of the Austrian Common Reporting Standard Act during the 4th quarter 2016. Pursuant to the Directive 2014/107/EU amending the Directive on Administrative Fiscal Cooperation Regarding the Mandatory Automatic Exchange of Information on Financial Accounts (i.e. deposit accounts, current accounts, custodial accounts, other accounts) in Tax Matters, (and the related Common Reporting Standards) which was implemented into Austrian law by the Common Reporting Standard Act (GMSG), Austrian financial institutions must report on new accounts opened on or after 1st October 2016 starting as from 30 June 2017 and for accounts pre-existing on 30 September 2016 with a higher value starting as from 31 December 2017 respectively for accounts pre-existing on 30 September 2016 with a low value starting as from 31 December 2018, inter alia, any interest, dividends and other gross income generated by assets held in the account as well as account balances and proceeds from the sale or redemption of financial assets to the tax office which is competent for the collection of corporate income tax in Austria. Such reporting requirement will result in an inter-authority automatic exchange of information between Austrian and foreign tax authorities of member states participating in the OECD released Global Standard for Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information in Tax Matters (AEoI). Investors are advised to seek professional advice on and, become familiar with, such further pertaining developments.

## Reporting requirements on capital outflows by Austrian credit institutions and domestic branches of CRR credit institutions, CRR financial institutions and EU investment firms

Pursuant to the Capital Outflow Reporting Act which entered into force for a period between 2016 and 2023 but covering reporting periods between 1 March 2015 and 31 December 2022, Austrian credit institutions and domestic branches described in the header subtitle above must report to the Austrian Federal Ministry of Finance any capital outflow by one or several related transactions amounting to minimum EUR 50.000 from accounts or securities accounts of individuals accruing outside any business assets. The term "capital outflows" does not only cover cash outflows and account transfers, but also the transfer of securities by donation within Austria and any transfer of securities to non-Austrian securities accounts.

#### Austrian residents

Income from the Notes derived by individuals, whose domicile or habitual abode is in Austria, is subject to Austrian income tax pursuant to the provisions of the Austrian Income Tax Act (*Einkommensteuergesetz*).

Interest income from the Notes is subject to a special income tax rate of 27.5%. If the interest is paid out to the Noteholder by an Austrian paying agent, the interest income from the Notes is subject to Austrian withholding tax (*Kapitalertragssteuer*) at a rate of 27.5%, which is withheld by the paying agent (*auszahlende Stelle*). The paying agent is the credit institution including Austrian branches of non-Austrian credit institutions or investment firms, which pays out or credits the interest income to the investor. The income tax for interest income generally constitutes a final taxation (*Endbesteuerung*) for individuals, irrespective of whether the Notes are held as private assets or as business assets. If the interest income is not subject to Austrian withholding tax because there is no domestic paying agent, the taxpayer will have to include the interest income derived from the Notes in his personal income tax return pursuant to the provisions of the Austrian Income Tax Act.

Furthermore, any realised capital gain (*Einkünfte aus realisierten Wertsteigerungen*) from the Notes is subject to Austrian income tax at a rate of 27.5%. Realised capital gain means any income derived from the sale or redemption of the Notes. The tax base is, in general, the difference between the sale proceeds or the redemption amount and the acquisition costs, in each case including accrued interest. Expenses which are directly connected with income subject to the special tax rate of 27.5% are not deductible. For Notes held as private assets, the acquisition costs shall not include incidental acquisition costs. For the calculation of the acquisition costs of Notes held within the same securities account and having the same securities identification number but which are acquired at different points in time, an average price shall apply.

Where an Austrian securities depository (depotführende Stelle) or domestic paying agent is involved and pays out or settles the capital gain, any realised capital gain from the Notes is also subject to a 27.5% withholding tax. The 27.5% withholding tax deduction will result in final income taxation for private investors (holding the Notes as private assets) provided that the investor has evidenced the factual acquisition costs of the Notes to the securities depository. If the realised capital gain is not subject to Austrian withholding tax because there is no domestic securities depository or paying agent, the taxpayer will also have to include the realised capital gain derived from the Notes in his personal income tax return pursuant to the provisions of the Austrian Income Tax Act.

Withdrawals (Entnahmen) and other transfers of Notes from the securities account will be treated as disposals (sales), unless specified exemptions will be fulfilled, such as the transfer of the Notes to a securities account owned by the same taxpayer (i) with the same Austrian securities depository (bank), (ii) with another Austrian bank if the account holder has instructed the transferring bank to disclose the acquisition costs to the receiving bank or (iii) with a non-Austrian bank, if the account holder has instructed the transferring bank to transmit the pertaining information to the competent tax office or has, in the case of transfers from a foreign account, himself notified the competent Austrian tax office within a month; or like the transfer without consideration to a securities account held by another taxpayer, if the fact that the transfer has been made without consideration has been evidenced to the bank or the bank has been instructed to inform the Austrian tax office thereof or if the taxpayer has himself notified the competent Austrian tax office within a month. Special rules apply if a taxpaver transfers his residence outside of Austria or Austria loses for other reasons its taxation right in respect of the Notes to other countries (which gives rise to a deemed capital gain and exit taxation with the option for deferred taxation upon application in the case of a relocation (or transfer without consideration) to (residents of) an EU Member State or certain member states of the European Economic Area, which have entered into a comprehensive agreement on administrative and enforcement cooperation with Austria).

Capital outflows amounting to minimum EUR 50,000 from accounts or securities accounts of individuals beginning with 1 March 2015 will additionally be subject to comprehensive reporting requirements by Austrian credit institutions or Austrian branches of CRR credit institutions, of CRR financial institutions and of EU investment firms, particularly relating to transfers of securities without consideration

within Austria or relating to transfers of securities to non-Austrian securities accounts. For details please see above "Reporting requirements on capital outflows by Austrian credit institutions".

Taxpayers, whose regular personal income tax is lower than 27.5% may opt for taxation of the income derived from the Notes at the regular personal income tax rate. Any tax withheld will then be credited against the income tax. Such application for opting into taxation at the regular personal income tax rate must, however, include all income subject to the special 27.5% tax rate. Expenses in direct economical connection with such income are also not deductible if the option for taxation at the regular personal income tax rate is made.

Income from Notes which are not offered to the public within the meaning of the Austrian Income Tax Act is not subject to withholding tax and final taxation but subject to normal progressive income tax rates and has to be included into the taxpayer's personal income tax return.

Losses from Notes held as private assets may only be set off with other investment income subject to the special 27.5% tax rate (excluding, inter alia, interest income from bank deposits and other non-securitized claims against banks) and must not be set off with any other income. Austrian tax law provides for a mandatory set-off by the Austrian securities depository of losses against investment income from securities accounts at the same securities depository (subject to certain exemptions). However, a carry-forward of such losses is not permitted.

Income including capital gain derived from the Notes which are held as business assets are also subject to a special income tax rate of 27.5% deducted by way of the withholding tax. However, realised capital gains, contrary to interest income, have to be included in the tax return and must not be a main focus of the taxpayer's business activity. Write-downs and losses derived from the sale or redemption of Notes held as business assets must primarily be set off against positive income from realised capital gains of financial instruments of the same business and only 55% of the remaining loss may be set off or carried forward against any other income starting with the assessment for income tax of 2015.

Income including capital gains from the Notes derived by corporate Noteholders, whose seat or place of management is based in Austria, is subject to Austrian corporate income tax pursuant to the provisions of the Austrian Corporate Income Tax Act (*Körperschaftssteuergesetz*). Corporate Noteholders deriving business income from the Notes may avoid the application of Austrian withholding tax by filing a declaration of exemption (*Befreiungserklärung*). Despite an increase of the 25% Austrian withholding tax rate to 27.5% for any investment income that is not derived from money deposits or non-securitized other debt claims towards credit institutions, the Tax Reform Act 2015/2016 with legal effect from 1 January 2016 provides for an optional withholding tax rate of 25% for any investment income accrued by corporate Noteholders. However, this 25% withholding tax rate option is currently not offered by all Austrian securities depositories or paying agents, so that corporate Noteholders will become forced to apply for refund of the difference between the corporate tax rate and the Austrian withholding tax in their corporate tax return in certain cases. Income from the Notes is subject to the general corporate income tax rate of 25%. For corporate noteholders the set-off related restrictions described above do not apply. Losses from the sale of the Notes may in principle be set off with any other income (and may further be carried forward in accordance with the general principles on carry forwards of losses).

There is, inter alia, a special tax regime for private foundations established under Austrian law (*Privatstiftungen*) (interim tax, no withholding tax).

### Non-residents

Income including capital gains derived from the Notes by individuals who do not have a domicile or their habitual abode in Austria or by corporate investors who do not have their corporate seat or their place of management in Austria ("non-residents") is not taxable in Austria provided that the income is not attributable to an Austrian permanent establishment (for withholding tax in 2016 in Austria under the EU Savings Directive see above). This should also be true if the Notes are held by a non-resident Noteholder in an Austrian depository account because and as long as the Issuer is not resident in Austria.

Thus, non-resident Noteholders – in case they receive income or capital gains from the Notes through a securities depository or paying agent located in Austria – may avoid the application of Austrian withholding tax if they evidence their non resident-status vis-à-vis the paying agent by disclosing, inter alia, their identity and address pursuant to the provisions of the Austrian income tax guidelines, which trigger the requirement of a written confirmation ("negative declaration of residence") in specified cases. The provision of evidence that the Noteholder is not subject to Austrian withholding tax is the responsibility of the Noteholder.

If any Austrian withholding tax is deducted by the securities depository or paying agent from any non-taxable payment, the tax withheld shall be refunded to the non-resident Noteholder upon his application which has to be filed with the competent Austrian tax authority within five calendar years following the date of the imposition of the withholding tax. Applications for refund may only be filed after the end of the calendar year when the withholding was made.

In specified cases of secondary residences in Austria, as defined by the Federal Ministry of Finance's regulation on domestic secondary residences, an application of Austrian withholding tax (but not of EU withholding tax, please see above) may further be avoided by non-residents.

Where non-residents receive income from the Notes as part of business income taxable in Austria (e.g. permanent establishment), they will, in general, be subject to the same tax treatment as resident investors.

#### Other taxes

Austria does not levy inheritance or gift tax.

However, it should be noted that certain gratuitous transfers of assets to (Austrian or foreign) private law foundations and comparable legal estates (*privatrechtliche Stiftungen und damit vergleichbare Vermögensmassen*) are subject to foundation entry tax (*Stiftungseingangssteuer*) pursuant to the Austrian Foundation Entry Tax Act (*Stiftungseingangssteuergesetz*).

In addition, a special notification obligation to the tax authorities exists for gifts from or to Austrian residents. Not all gifts are covered by the notification obligation: In case of gifts among relatives, a threshold of EUR 50,000 per year applies; in all other cases, a notification is obligatory if the value of gifts made exceeds an amount of EUR 15,000 during a period of five years.

Austrian banks will be required to report (i) any transfer of title to securities by donation within Austria and (ii) any transfer of securities to non-Austrian securities accounts, in each case where the transactions were effected on or after 1 March 2015 and cover transaction values of minimum EUR 50,000, as a "capital drain" to the Austrian Federal Ministry of Finance. The reports for the period from 1 March 2015 to 31 December 2015 will have to be effected by 31 October 2016 at the latest, whereas the reports for 2016 will have to be effected by 31 January 2017 at the latest.

#### **DUTCH TAXATION**

The following summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all Dutch tax considerations that could be relevant for holders of the Notes. This summary is intended as general information only. Each prospective holder should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Notes. This summary is based on Netherlands tax legislation and

published case law in force as of 27 June 2016. It does not take into account any developments or amendments thereof after that date, whether or not such developments or amendments have retroactive effect.

For the purpose of this Dutch taxation section, it is assumed that (i) the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer are both resident of The Netherlands for Dutch tax purposes, whereas it is assumed that (ii) the Australian Issuer is neither resident nor deemed to be resident of The Netherlands for Dutch tax purposes.

For the purposes of this summary, "The Netherlands" shall mean that part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands that is in Europe.

## 1 Scope

Regardless of whether or not a holder of Notes is, or is treated as being, a resident of The Netherlands with the exception of the section on withholding tax below, this summary does not address the Netherlands tax consequences for such a holder:

- (i) having a substantial interest (*aanmerkelijk belang*) or deemed substantial interest (*fictief aanmerkelijk belang*) in the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer and holders of Notes of whom a certain related person holds a substantial interest in the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer. Generally speaking, a substantial interest in the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer arises if a person, alone or, where such person is an individual, together with his or her partner (statutory defined term), directly or indirectly, holds or is deemed to hold (i) an interest of 5 per cent. or more of the total issued capital of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer or of 5 per cent. or more of the issued capital of a certain class of shares of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer, (ii) rights to acquire, directly or indirectly, such interest or (iii) certain profit sharing rights in the Issuer;
- (ii) who is a private individual and who may be taxed in box 1 for the purposes of Netherlands income tax (*inkomstenbelasting*) as an entrepreneur (*ondernemer*) having an enterprise (*onderneming*) to which the Notes are attributable, or who may otherwise be taxed in box 1 with respect to benefits derived from the Notes;
- (iii) who is a person to whom the Notes and the income from the Notes are attributed based on the separated private assets (afgezonderd particulier vermogen) provisions of The Netherlands Income Tax Act 2001 (Wet inkomstenbelasting 2001) and the Netherlands Gift and Inheritance Tax Act 1956 (Successiewet 1956);
- (iv) which is a corporate entity and a taxpayer for the purposes of Netherlands corporate income tax (vennootschapsbelasting), having a participation (deelneming) in the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer within the meaning of article 13 of the Netherlands Corporate Income Tax Act 1969 (Wet op de vennootschapsbelasting 1969);
- (v) which is a corporate entity and an exempt investment institution (*vrijgestelde beleggingsinstelling*) or investment institution (*beleggingsinstelling*) for the purposes of Netherlands corporate income tax, a pension fund, or otherwise not a taxpayer or exempt for corporate income tax purposes;
- (vi) which is an entity which is a resident of Aruba, Curacao or Sint Maarten having an enterprise which is carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative on Bonaire, Sint Eustatius or Saba, to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Notes are attributable; or
- (vii) which is not considered to be the beneficial owner (*uiteindelijk gerechtigde*) of benefits derived from the Notes.

This summary does not address the Netherlands tax consequences where it concerns Notes that are redeemable in exchange for, or convertible into, shares. The Netherlands tax consequences for such holder of the exercise, settlement or redemption of such Notes and/or any Netherlands tax consequences for such holder after the moment of exercise, settlement or redemption are not described in this summary.

## 2 Withholding tax

All payments made by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer under the Notes may be made free of withholding or deduction for any taxes of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld or assessed by The Netherlands or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein provided that where Notes are issued with a maturity of more than 50 years, such Notes do not in fact function as equity of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer within the meaning of article 10, paragraph 1, letter d, of the Netherlands Corporate Income Tax Act 1969 (Wet op de vennootschapsbelasting 1969).

#### 3 Income tax

Resident holders: A holder who is a private individual and a resident, or treated as being a resident of The Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands income tax, must record the Notes as assets that are held in box 3. Taxable income with regard to the Notes is then determined on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (*sparen en beleggen*), rather than on the basis of income actually received or gains actually realised. This deemed return is fixed at a rate of 4% of the holder's yield basis (*rendementsgrondslag*) at the beginning of the calendar year insofar as the yield basis exceeds a certain threshold (*heffingvrij vermogen*). Such yield basis is determined as the fair market value of certain qualifying assets held by the holder of the Notes, less the fair market value of certain qualifying liabilities at the beginning of the calendar year. The fair market value of the Notes will be included as an asset in the holder's yield basis. The deemed return on income from savings and investments is taxed at a rate of 30%.

Non-resident holders: A holder who is a private individual and neither a resident, nor treated as being a resident of The Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands income tax, will not be subject to such tax in respect of benefits derived from the Notes, unless such holder is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise or a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise which is effectively managed in The Netherlands, to which enterprise the Notes are attributable.

## 4 Corporate income tax

Resident holders: A holder which is a corporate entity and, for the purposes of Netherlands corporate income tax, a resident, or treated as being a resident, of The Netherlands, is taxed in respect of benefits derived from the Notes at rates of up to 25%.

Non-resident holders: A holder which is a corporate entity and, for the purposes of Netherlands corporate income tax, is neither a resident, nor treated as being a resident, of The Netherlands, will not be subject to corporate income tax, unless such holder has an interest in an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in The Netherlands, a Netherlands Enterprise (*Nederlandse onderneming*), to which Netherlands Enterprise the Notes are attributable, or such holder is (other than by way of securities) entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise or a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise, which is effectively managed in The Netherlands and to which enterprise the Notes are attributable. Such holder is taxed in respect of benefits derived from the Notes at rates of up to 25%.

#### 5 Gift and inheritance tax

Resident holders: Netherlands gift tax or inheritance tax (*schenk- of erfbelasting*) will arise in respect of an acquisition (or deemed acquisition) of Notes by way of a gift by, or on the death of, a holder of Notes who is a resident, or treated as being a resident, of The Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax.

Non-resident holders: No Netherlands gift tax or inheritance tax will arise in respect of an acquisition (or deemed acquisition) of Notes by way of a gift by, or on the death of, a holder of Notes who is neither a resident, nor treated as being a resident, of The Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax.

#### 6 Other taxes

No Dutch value added tax (*omzetbelasting*) will arise in respect of any payment in consideration for the issue of Notes, with respect to any cash settlement of Notes or with respect to the delivery of Notes. Furthermore, no Dutch registration tax, capital tax, transfer tax or stamp duty (nor any other similar tax or duty) will be payable in the Netherlands by a holder in respect of or in connection with the subscription, issue, placement, allotment, delivery or transfer of Notes.

#### **BELGIAN TAXATION**

#### General

The following summary describes the principal Belgian tax considerations with respect to the holding of the Notes.

This information is of a general nature and does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all Belgian tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to acquire, to hold or to dispose of the Notes. In some cases, different rules can be applicable. Furthermore, the tax rules can be amended in the future, possibly implemented with retroactive effect, and the interpretation of the tax rules may change.

This summary is based on Belgian tax legislation, treaties, rules, and administrative interpretations with respect to Belgian income taxes and similar documentation, in force as of 27 June 2016, without prejudice to any amendments introduced at a later date, even if implemented with retroactive effect.

Each prospective holder of Notes should consult a professional adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Notes, taking into account the influence of each regional, local or national law.

## Taxes on income and capital gains

## Resident individual private investors

Individuals who are Belgian residents for tax purposes, i.e. individuals subject to the Belgian individual income tax ("Personenbelasting"/"Impôt des personnes physiques"), and who hold the Notes as a private investment are subject to the following income tax treatment in Belgium with respect to the Notes. Other tax rules apply to Belgian resident individuals holding the Notes not as a private investment but in the framework of their professional activity or when the transactions with respect to the Notes fall outside the scope of the normal management of their own private estate.

Under Belgian tax law, "interest" income includes: (i) periodic interest income, (ii) any amount paid by the Issuer in excess of the issue price (whether or not on the maturity date), and (iii) if the Notes qualify as "fixed income securities" (in the meaning of article 2, §1, 8° Belgian Income Tax Code), in the case of a

realisation of the Notes prior to repurchase or redemption by the Issuer, the income equal to the pro rata of accrued interest corresponding to the detention period. Fixed income securities include Notes where there is a causal link between the amount of interest income and the detention period of the Notes, on the basis of which it is possible to calculate the amount of pro rata interest income at the moment of the sale of the Notes during their lifetime. Furthermore, on 25 January 2013, the Belgian tax authorities issued a circular letter on the tax treatment of income from structured products the return of which is linked to an underlying value (share basket, index, etc.). According to the circular letter, such structured products qualify as fixed income securities if their terms and conditions include one or more of the following features: (a) a (conditional) minimum return; (b) capital protection; (c) a periodic coupon payment; or (d) determination of income during the lifetime of the securities using a "ratchet" system.

Payments of interest on the Notes made through a paying agent in Belgium will in principle be subject to a 27% withholding tax in Belgium (calculated on the interest received after deduction of any non-Belgian withholding taxes). The Belgian withholding tax constitutes the final income tax for Belgian resident individuals. This means that they do not have to declare the interest obtained on the Notes in their personal income tax return, provided withholding tax was levied on these interest payments. They may nevertheless elect to declare interest in respect of the Notes in their personal income tax return.

If no Belgian withholding tax has been withheld, the interest (after deduction of any non-Belgian withholding tax) must be declared in the personal income tax return.

Interest income which is declared in the annual personal income tax return will in principle be taxed at a flat rate of 27% (or at the progressive personal tax rate taking into account the taxpayer's other declared income, whichever is more beneficial). If the interest payment is declared, any withholding tax retained may be credited.

A so-called "speculation tax" of 33% applies on capital gains realized by Belgian resident individuals (acting outside the scope of a business activity) in respect of certain listed financial instruments acquired on or after 1 January 2016 and sold within 6 months of their acquisition (or in case of a short sale, sold as from 1 January 2016 and acquired within 6 months of their sale). The computation of the holding period is performed according to the LIFO method ("last in – first out"), applied amongst products with the same ISIN code. Capital losses are not deductible, except where a single transfer of instruments having the same ISIN but acquired on different dates results in both capital gains and capital losses, in which case only the positive balance (if any) will be subject to speculation tax.

The speculation tax is levied by way of a withholding to be applied by the last Belgian intermediary (if any) intervening in the transaction. In case of a withholding, investors have no declaration obligations. If the transaction takes place without the intervention of an intermediary established in Belgium, investors will need to declare the income in their annual personal income tax return.

The covered instruments comprise listed shares, as well as listed options, warrants and other instruments (such as so-called "turbos", "speeders", "sprinters" and "futures") of which the underlying asset is exclusively composed of one or several determined listed shares. Whilst this would appear to cover Notes having one or several listed shares as an underlying, unofficial guidance received from the Belgian tax authorities indicates that such structured Notes are in fact not within the scope of the speculation tax. This is however still to be formally confirmed.

For the remainder, capital gains realised upon the sale of the Notes, are in principle tax exempt, except if the capital gains are realised outside the scope of the management of one's private estate or except to the extent that the capital gains qualify as interest (as defined above). Capital losses are in principle not tax deductible.

## Tax treatment of resident corporations

Corporations that are Belgian residents for tax purposes, i.e. corporations subject to Belgian Corporate Income Tax ("Vennootschapsbelasting"/"Impôt des sociétés") are subject to the following income tax treatment in Belgium with respect to the Notes.

Interest derived by Belgian resident investors on the Notes and capital gains realised on the Notes will be subject to Belgian corporate income tax at the ordinary rate of 33.99%. Capital losses on the Notes are in principle tax deductible.

Payments of interest (as defined in the section "Resident individual private investors") on the Notes made through a paying agent in Belgium will in principle be subject to a 27% withholding tax in Belgium (calculated on the interest received after deduction of any non-Belgian withholding taxes). However, the interest on the Notes (except Zero Coupon Notes and other Notes which provide for the capitalisation of interest) can under certain circumstances be exempt from withholding tax, provided a special certificate is delivered. The Belgian withholding tax that has been levied is creditable and refundable in accordance with the applicable legal provisions.

#### Tax treatment of Organisations for Financing Pensions

Belgian pension fund entities that have the form of an Organisation for Financing Pensions ("**OFP**") are subject to Belgian Corporate Income Tax ("*Vennootschapsbelasting*"/"*Impôt des sociétés*"). OFPs are subject to the following tax treatment in Belgium with respect to the Notes.

Interest derived on the Notes and capital gains realised on the Notes will not be subject to Belgian Corporate Income Tax in the hands of OFPs. Capital losses on the Notes are not tax deductible. Any Belgian withholding tax that has been levied on interest payments on the Notes is creditable and refundable in accordance with the applicable legal provisions.

#### Other resident legal entities

Legal entities that are Belgian residents for tax purposes, i.e. that are subject to Belgian tax on legal entities ("Rechtspersonenbelasting"/"impôt des personnes morales"), are subject to the following withholding tax treatment in Belgium with respect to the Notes.

Payments of interest (as defined above in the section "Resident individual private investors") on the Notes made through a paying agent in Belgium will in principle be subject to a 25% withholding tax in Belgium and no further tax on legal entities will be due on the interest. However, if no Belgian withholding tax has been withheld, the legal entity itself is required to declare and pay the Belgian 25% withholding tax to the Belgian treasury.

Capital gains realised on the sale of the Notes are in principle tax exempt, unless and to the extent that they qualify as interest (as defined above). Capital losses on the Notes are in principle not tax deductible.

#### Tax treatment of Belgian non-residents

The interest income on the Notes paid to a Belgian non-resident outside of Belgium, i.e. without the intervention of a professional intermediary in Belgium, is not subject to Belgian withholding tax or speculation tax.

Interest income on the Notes paid through a Belgian professional intermediary is in principle subject to a 27% Belgian withholding tax, unless the holder of Notes is resident in a country with which Belgium has concluded a double taxation agreement and delivers the required affidavit.

Non-resident holders that have not allocated the Notes to business activities in Belgium can also obtain an exemption of Belgian withholding tax on interest if the interest is paid through a Belgian credit institution, a Belgian stock market company or a Belgian clearing or settlement institution and provided that the nonresident (i) is the owner or usufructor of the Notes, (ii) has not allocated the Notes to business activities in Belgium and (iii) delivers an affidavit confirming his non-resident status and the fulfilment of conditions (i) and (ii).

If the holder of a Note is a Belgian branch of a foreign company to which the Notes are attributable, the rules applicable to Belgian corporations (see above) will apply. Non-resident holders of Notes who do not allocate the Notes to a professional activity in Belgium are not subject to Belgian income tax, save, as the case may be, in the form of withholding tax.

The speculation tax as described under the heading 'Resident individual private investors' may also apply to investors who are non-resident individuals if a Belgian intermediary intervenes in the transaction. Where such investors are resident in a country with which Belgium has concluded a double taxation agreement, they should normally be able to obtain the benefit of a tax exemption. However, pending the implementation of a specific procedure, it is currently unclear whether this exemption can be obtained at source or only via a reclaim.

## Stock exchange tax and tax on repurchase transactions

A stock exchange tax will be levied on the purchase and sale in Belgium of the Notes on the secondary market through a professional intermediary. The tax is generally due at a rate of 0.09% for transactions in debt instruments for purposes of the stock exchange tax and at a rate of 0.27% for transactions in other securities which are not capitalisation shares, with a maximum amount per transaction and per party of 650 for debt instruments and 800 for other securities which are not capitalisation shares. A separate tax is due from each of the seller and the purchaser, both collected by the professional intermediary.

A tax on repurchase transactions ("taxe sur les reports") at the rate of 0.085% subject to a maximum of €650 per party and per transaction, will be due from each party to any such transaction entered into or settled in Belgium in which a professional intermediary for stock transactions acts for either party.

However, the tax on stock exchange transactions and the tax on repurchase transactions referred to above will not be payable by exempt persons acting for their own account, including non-residents (subject to certain formalities) and certain Belgian institutional investors, as defined in Articles 126-1.2 and 139 of the Code of various duties and taxes ("Code des droits et taxes divers").

As indicated in the risk factor relating to the 'Proposed Financial Transactions Tax', a number of EU Member States including Belgium are contemplating introducing a common FTT. If the proposal were adopted in its current form, it would require the abolition of existing Belgian taxes on financial transactions.

## Tax on the physical delivery of Notes in bearer form

A tax of 0.6% is levied upon the physical delivery of Notes in bearer form pursuant to their acquisition on the secondary market through a professional intermediary. The same tax applies to the conversion of Notes in registered form into Notes in bearer form and to the physical delivery of Notes in bearer form pursuant to a withdrawal of these Notes from open custody.

The tax on the delivery of Notes in bearer form is due either on the sums payable by the purchaser, or on the sales value of the Notes as estimated by the custodian in the case of a withdrawal from open custody or by the person asking for the conversion of the Notes in case of conversion of Notes in registered form into Notes in bearer form. The tax is payable by the issuer, the professional intermediary or the custodian.

The physical delivery of Notes in bearer form to recognised Belgian professional intermediaries (such as credit institutions), acting for their own account, is exempt from the above tax.

## FRENCH TAXATION

This summary is based on tax laws and taxation practice, as in effect and applied as at 27 June 2016 and is intended to provide general information only. This section does not address all French tax considerations that may be relevant to an investor. In some cases, different rules can be applicable, depending, in particular, on the characterisation of the Notes for French tax purposes or on the specific tax situation of the investor. Tax laws, taxation practices and their interpretation are constantly under change, which changes may sometimes have a retroactive effect and may change the conclusions set out in this summary.

#### Withholding tax

Income paid or accrued on Notes by the Issuer, to the extent such Notes are not issued through a French branch or permanent establishment of an Issuer, is not subject to withholding tax in France.

#### Individual resident Noteholders

Income tax

Interest and other income received by French resident holders of Notes treated as debt instruments for French tax purposes, who are individuals and who do not hold their Notes in connection with a business they carry on, are taxable as ordinary income in the hands of the investor. However, pursuant to Article 125 A of the French tax code ("FTC"), subject to certain limited exceptions, such personal income tax is payable by way of a mandatory prepayment of 24 per cent., which is deductible from such holders' personal income tax liability in respect of the year in which the payment has been made. Social contributions (CSG, CRDS and other related contributions) are also levied on top of this at an aggregate rate of 15.5 per cent. on interest and other income paid to such holders.

The social contributions and the income tax prepayment must be withheld and reported by the Paying Agent if such agent is established in France. If the Paying Agent is established outside of France, the taxpayer is responsible for paying the social contributions and the income tax prepayment directly to the French tax authorities no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month following the payment of interest and other similar revenues. If the Paying Agent is established in an EU or EEA member state, it can however be appointed by the taxpayer to do so.

Bond redemptions are treated as interest from a French tax perspective.

Taxation of capital gains

Capital gains derived from the disposal of the Notes by French tax resident holders should be subject to personal income tax at the standard progressive rate, whose maximum applicable rate is currently 45 per cent.

Allowances for holding period may be applicable on the capital gains (50 per cent for a holding period between 2 and 8 years, 65 per cent for a holding period exceeding 8 years).

In addition, social contributions (as set out above) should be applicable, at a total rate of 15.5 per cent.

If French tax resident Noteholders dispose of the Notes at a loss, such loss may be offset against capital gains of the same nature made during the year of the loss or the ten following years, subject to filing obligations.

Exceptional contribution on high income ("Contribution exceptionnelle sur les hauts revenus")

An exceptional contribution on high income may be applicable to French tax resident Noteholders where their "reference income" exceeds EUR 250,000 for a single person or EUR 500,000 for a couple taxed on a joint basis.

The "reference income" for the relevant fiscal year would include income and gains realised in relation to the Notes.

This contribution is equal to 3 per cent of the fraction of the "reference income" above EUR 250,000 for a single person (or EUR 500,000 for a couple) and, 4 per cent on the "reference income" over EUR 500,000 for a single person (or EUR 1 million for a couple).

#### Gift and inheritance taxes

Subject to the provisions of the relevant bilateral tax treaty, French gift or inheritance taxes would be levied on the transfer of the Notes by way of gift by, or on the death of, French tax resident Noteholders, if:

- (a) the Noteholder is a resident in France; or
- (b) the beneficiary is resident in France and has been so resident for at least six years over the ten preceding years; or
- (c) if both the Noteholder and the beneficiary are non-French residents, the transferred assets are located in France.

Assets considered as located in France would include receivables over a debtor which is established in France.

The amount of tax depends, in particular, on the relationships between the individuals concerned.

Wealth tax applicable to individuals

Subject to the provisions of the relevant bilateral tax treaty, the value of the Notes at 1<sup>st</sup> January of each year would be included in the taxable assets of French tax resident Noteholders for wealth tax purposes.

When the value of the net taxable assets exceeds EUR 1,300,000, wealth tax is levied at a progressive rate from 0.5 per cent up to 1.50 per cent of the net wealth tax basis above EUR 800,000.

## **Corporate resident Noteholders**

Corporate income tax and additional contributions

Income or capital gains in relation to the Notes are subject to corporate income tax at the standard rate of 33 1/3 per cent (or to a reduced rate applicable to small and medium companies meeting certain requirements).

Additional contributions may also be applicable to corporate income tax:

- (a) an additional contribution at a 3.3 per cent rate applies if the amount of corporate income tax due by the taxpaying company is higher than EUR 763,000; and
- (b) an exceptional contribution at a 10.7 per cent rate applies if the gross turnover of the taxpaying company is above EUR 250 million.

Losses are generally treated as ordinary losses which may be set off against operational profits. The remaining losses may be carried forward indefinitely but limited, for a given year, to EUR 1 million plus 50 per cent of the taxable profit exceeding this amount. Besides, an option can be made by the Noteholders in order to carry back the losses against their prior taxable result but limited to the taxable profit and up to the limit of EUR 1 million.

Interest payments are taxed on an accruals basis

Any redemption premium would be taxed at the above-mentioned standard corporate income tax rate (or to a reduced rate applicable to small and medium companies meeting certain requirements). However, if the estimated value of the redemption premium exceeds the purchase value of the Notes by 10 per cent and the average issue price of the Notes is less than 90 per cent of the estimated redemption value, such premium is spread taxed until the maturity on an annual basis.

#### **Non-resident Noteholders**

Income and capital gains derived from the Notes, received by individuals who are not residents for tax purposes in France or corporate investors who have neither their corporate seat nor their place of management in France, are not taxable in France unless the Notes form part of the business property of a permanent establishment in France.

#### **Transfer Taxes**

The purchase or sale of Notes is not subject to transfer tax in France. However, the following may be relevant in connection with Notes which are settled or redeemed by way of physical delivery of French shares:

- (a) The disposal of shares issued by a company whose registered office is located in France for consideration is, in principle, subject to a 0.1 per cent transfer tax (the "French Transfer Tax"), provided, in the case of shares listed on a recognised stock exchange, that the transfer is evidenced by a written deed or agreement. With respect to listed shares, the French tax administrative doctrine has specified that the conversion of bonds into equity shall be subject to the 0.1 per cent French Transfer Tax under the conditions provided by article 726 of the FTC (BOI-ENR-DMTOM-40-10-10 n°50).
- (b) A financial transaction tax (the "French Financial Transaction Tax") is imposed, subject to certain exceptions, on certain acquisitions of French shares (or certain assimilated securities) which are listed on a recognised stock exchange where the relevant issuer's stock market capitalisation exceeds EUR 1 billion (on 1st December of the previous calendar year). The rate of the French Financial Transaction Tax is 0.2 per cent of the acquisition price of the transaction. There are a number of exemptions from the French Financial Transaction Tax and investors shall revert to their counsel to identify whether they can benefit from them.
- (c) If the French Financial Transaction Tax applies to a transaction, an exemption in respect of the French Transfer Tax is applicable.

## FINNISH TAXATION

The following summary relates only to Finnish withholding tax issues with respect to payments made in respect of the Notes to persons who are generally liable to tax in Finland (i.e. persons that are residents of Finland for tax purposes). The summary does not deal with any other Finnish tax implications of acquiring, holding or disposing of the Notes. Investors are advised to seek professional advice relating to other tax implications in respect of acquiring, holding or disposing of the Notes.

As the Issuer is not resident in Finland for tax purposes, there is no Finnish withholding tax (Fi. *lähdevero*) applicable to the payments made by the Issuer in respect of the Notes. However, Finland operates a system of preliminary taxation (Fi. *ennakonpidätysjärjestelmä*) to secure payment of taxes in certain circumstances. In the context of the Notes, a tax of 30 per cent. will be deducted and withheld from all payments (including redemption proceeds/premium) that are treated as interest or as compensation comparable to interest, when such payments are made by a Finnish paying agent to individuals. Any preliminary tax (Fi. *ennakonpidätys*)

will be used for the payment of the individual's final taxes (which means that they will be credited against the individual's final tax liability).

#### **GERMAN TAXATION**

The following is an overview addressing only the German compulsory withholding tax treatment of income arising from the Notes. This overview is based on the laws and regulations in full force and effect in Germany as at the date of this Base Prospectus, which may be subject to change in the future, potentially with retroactive effect. The summary does not deal with any other German tax implications of acquiring, holding or disposing of the Notes. Investors should be aware that the comments below are of a general nature and do not constitute legal or tax advice and should not be understood as such. Prospective investors are therefore advised to consult their own qualified advisers so as to determine, in the light of their individual situation, the tax consequences of the purchase, holding, redemption or sale of the Notes.

#### Residents of Germany

On the date of this Base Prospectus, there is in the Federal Republic of Germany no statutory obligation for the Issuer to withhold or deduct any German withholding tax (*Kapitalertragsteuer*) from payments of interest and repayment of capital on the Notes as well as gains from the disposal, redemption, repayment or assignment of the Notes.

However, if the Notes are kept or administered in a domestic securities deposit account by a German credit institution (*Kreditinstitut*) or financial services institution (*Finanzdienstleistungsinstitut*) (or with a German branch of a foreign credit or financial services institution), or with a German securities trading company (*Wertpapierhandelsunternehmen*) or a German securities trading bank (*Wertpapierhandelsbank*) (altogether a "German Disbursing Agent"), the German Disbursing Agent will withhold the tax in an amount of 25 per cent. plus a 5.5 per cent. solidarity surcharge thereon (resulting in a total withholding tax charge of 26.375 per cent) on payments of interest. The same withholding applies to any gains from the disposal, redemption, repayment or assignment of Notes except for any gains derived by German resident corporate holders and upon application by individual holders holding the Notes as business assets. If the Notes were disposed, redeemed, repaid or assigned after being transferred to another securities deposit account, the 25 per cent. withholding tax (plus a 5.5 per cent. solidarity surcharge thereon) would be levied on 30 per cent. of the proceeds from the disposal, redemption, repayment or assignment, as the case may be, unless the investor or the previous depository bank was able and allowed to prove evidence for the investor's actual acquisition costs to the new current German Disbursing Agent.

The applicable withholding tax rate is in excess of the aforementioned rate if church tax is collected for an individual investor by way of withholding which is provided for as a standard procedure unless the noteholder has filed a blocking notice (*Sperrvermerk*) with the German Federal Central Tax Office (*Bundeszentralamt für Steuern*).

#### Non-residents of Germany

In general, non-residents of Germany are not subject to German withholding tax, subject to meeting certain further requirements. However, withholding tax may nevertheless be applicable in certain exceptional cases, e.g. if the Notes or Coupons are presented for payment or credit at the offices of a German Disbursing Agent (over-the-counter transaction).

## ITALIAN TAXATION

The statements herein regarding taxation summarise the principal Italian tax consequences of the purchase, the ownership and the disposal of the Notes. They apply to a holder of Notes only if such holder purchases its Notes under the Programme. It is a general summary that does not apply to certain categories of investors and does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations which may be relevant to a decision to purchase, own or dispose of the Notes. It does not discuss every aspect of Italian taxation that may be relevant to a holder of Notes if such holder is subject to special circumstances or if such holder is subject to special treatment under applicable law.

This summary assumes that the relevant Issuer is resident in its country of incorporation for tax purposes, that such Issuer is organised and that such Issuer's business will be conducted in the manner outlined in the Base Prospectus. Changes in the relevant Issuer's tax residence, organisational structure or the manner in which the Issuer conducts its business may invalidate this summary. This summary also assumes that each transaction with respect to Notes is at arm's length.

Where in this summary English terms and expressions are used to refer to Italian concepts, the meaning to be attributed to such terms and expressions shall be the meaning to be attributed to the equivalent Italian concepts under Italian tax law.

The statements herein regarding taxation are based on the laws in force in the Republic of Italy as of 27 June 2016 and are subject to any changes in law occurring after such date, which changes could be made on a retroactive basis. The Global Issuer will not update this summary to reflect changes in laws and if such a change occurs the information in this summary could become invalid. With regard to certain innovative or structured financial instruments there is currently no case law and limited comments of the Italian tax authorities as to the tax treatment of such financial instruments. Accordingly, it cannot be excluded that the Italian tax authorities and courts or Italian intermediaries may adopt a view different from that outlined below. Prospective purchasers of Notes under the Programme are advised to consult their own tax advisers concerning the overall tax consequences of their ownership of the Notes.

This summary does not describe the tax consequences for a holder of Notes that are redeemable in exchange for, or convertible into, shares, as well as in case Physical Delivery is provided, of the exercise, settlement or redemption of such Notes and/or any tax consequences after the moment of exercise, settlement or redemption.

As clarified by the Italian tax authorities in resolution No. 72/E of 12 July 2010, the Italian tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposal of the Notes may be different depending on whether:

- (a) they represent a securitised debt claim, implying a static "use of capital" (*impiego di capitale*), through which the subscriber of the Notes transfers to the Issuer a certain amount of capital for the purpose of obtaining a remuneration on the same capital and subject to the right to obtain its (partial or entire) reimbursement at maturity; or
- (b) they represent a securitised derivative financial instrument or bundle of derivative financial instruments not entailing a "use of capital", through which the subscriber of the Notes invests indirectly in underlying financial instruments for the purpose of obtaining a profit deriving from the negotiation of such underlying financial instruments.

## 1 Tax treatment of the Notes qualifying as bonds or securities similar to bonds

#### 1.1 Interest

Legislative Decree No. 239 of 1 April, 1996, as amended (the "**Decree No. 239**"), regulates the tax treatment of interest, premium and other income (including the difference between the redemption amount and the issue price, hereinafter collectively referred to as "**Interest**") from notes issued, *interalia*, by non-Italian resident entities, falling within the category of bonds (*obbligazioni*) or securities similar to bonds (*titoli similari alle obbligazioni*).

For this purpose, securities similar to bonds are debt instruments implying a "use of capital" issued in mass that incorporate an unconditional obligation to pay, at maturity, an amount not lower than their nominal value and that do not allow a direct or indirect participation in the management of the issuer.

Where an Italian resident Noteholder who is the beneficial owner of the Notes is (i) an individual not engaged in a business activity to which the Notes are effectively connected, (ii) a non-commercial partnership, (iii) a non-commercial private or public institution, or (iv) an investor exempt from Italian corporate income taxation, Interest payments relating to the Notes are subject to a tax, referred to as *imposta sostitutiva*, levied at the rate of 26% (either when the Interest is paid by the Issuer, or when payment thereof is obtained by the Noteholder on a sale or redemption of the relevant Notes). The *imposta sostitutiva* may not be recovered as a deduction from the income tax due.

In certain circumstances, non-commercial pension entities incorporated under Law No. 509 of 30 June 1994 ("Law No. 509") or Law No. 103 of 10 February 1996 ("Law No. 103") are entitled to a tax credit equal to the positive difference between withholding taxes and substitute taxes levied at a rate of 26 per cent. on financial proceeds deriving from their investments (including the Notes), as certified by the relevant withholding agent, and a notional 20 per cent. taxation rate, provided that such a tax credit is disclosed by such entities in the annual corporation tax return.

In case the Notes are held by an individual or a non commercial private or public institution engaged in a business activity and are effectively connected with the same business activity, the Interest will be subject to the *imposta sostitutiva* and will be included in the relevant income tax return. As a consequence, the Interest will be subject to the ordinary income tax and the *imposta sostitutiva* may be recovered as a deduction from the income tax due.

Pursuant to Decree No. 239, *imposta sostitutiva* is applied by banks, società di intermediazione mobiliare ("SIMs"), trust companies, società di gestione del risparmio ("SGRs") stock exchange agents and other Italian tax resident entities identified by the relevant Decrees of the Ministry of Finance (the "Intermediaries").

The *imposta sostitutiva* does not apply, *inter alia*, to the following subjects, to the extent that the Notes are deposited in a timely manner, directly or indirectly, with an Intermediary:

- (i) <u>Corporate investors</u> Where an Italian resident Noteholder is a corporation or a similar commercial entity (including a permanent establishment in Italy of a foreign entity to which the Notes are effectively connected), Interest accrued on the Notes is not subject to substitute tax but must be included in the relevant Noteholder's yearly taxable income and are therefore subject to ordinary Italian corporate taxation (and, in certain circumstances, depending on the "status" of the Noteholder, also to IRAP the regional tax on productive activities);
- (ii) <u>Investment funds</u> Where the Noteholder is an Italian open-ended or closed-ended investment fund, or a Luxembourg investment fund regulated by Article 11-bis of Law Decree No. 512 of 30 September 1983 (each, an "Investment Fund"), a "società di investimento a capitale

variabile" ("SICAV") or a "società di investimento a capitale fisso" not exclusively or primarily investing in real estate ("SICAF"), Interest is subject neither to substitute tax nor to any other income tax in the hands of the Investment Fund, SICAV or SICAF. A withholding tax may apply in certain circumstances at the rate of up to 26 per cent. on distributions made by the Investment Fund, SICAV or SICAF;

- (iii) Pension funds Where the Noteholder is an Italian pension fund (subject to the tax regime set forth by Article 17 of Legislative Decree No. 252 of 5 December 2005, a "Pension Fund") and the Notes are deposited with an authorised intermediary, Interest is not subject to substitute tax, but must be included in the Pension Fund's annual net accrued result that is subject to a 20 per cent. substitute tax. A 9 per cent. tax credit may be granted to the Pension Fund in certain circumstances; and
- (iv) Real estate investment funds Where the Noteholder is an Italian resident real estate investment fund established pursuant to Article 37 of Legislative Decree No. 58 of 24 February 1998 (the "Real Estate Investment Fund"), Interest is subject neither to substitute tax nor to any other income tax in the hands of the Fund. A withholding tax may apply in certain circumstances at the rate of up to 26% on distributions made by Italian Real Estate Funds and, in certain cases, a tax transparency regime may apply in respect of certain categories of investors in the Italian Real Estate Investment Fund owning more than 5% of the fund's units. Pursuant to Art. 9 of Legislative Decree of 4 March 2014, no. 44, the same regime applicable to Real Estate Investment Funds also applies to fixed company investment companies (società di investimento a capitale fisso) investing in real estate properties under Legislative Decree No. 58 of 24 February 1998.

Interest payments relating to the Notes received by non-Italian resident beneficial owners are generally, provided that certain conditions and formalities are met, not subject to tax in Italy

## 1.2 Capital Gains

Pursuant to Legislative Decree No. 461 of 21 November, 1997, as amended, a 26% capital gains tax (the "CGT") is applicable to capital gains realised on any sale or transfer of the Notes for consideration or on redemption or exercise thereof by Italian resident individuals (not engaged in a business activity to which the Notes are effectively connected), regardless of whether the Notes are held outside of Italy.

For the purposes of determining the taxable capital gain, in case of interest bearing notes, any Interest on the Notes accrued and unpaid up to the time of the purchase and the sale of the Notes must be deducted from the purchase price and the sale price, respectively.

Taxpayers can opt for certain alternative regimes in order to pay the CGT.

The aforementioned regime does not apply to the following subjects:

(A) Corporate investors (including banks and insurance companies) – Capital gains realised by Italian resident corporate investors shall be included in the relevant Noteholder's yearly taxable income and are therefore subject to ordinary Italian corporate taxation (and, in certain circumstances, depending on the "status" of the Noteholder, also to local tax on productive activities (*Imposta regionale sulle attività produttive* – IRAP) –. Upon fulfilment of certain conditions, the gains may be taxed in equal instalments over up to five fiscal years for corporate income tax (*Imposta sul reddito delle Società* – IRES) purposes.

- (B) Funds Capital gains realised by the Funds is subject neither to substitute tax nor to any other income tax in the hands of the Fund. A withholding tax may apply in certain circumstances at the rate of up to 26%, on distributions made by the Fund or SICAV (see under paragraph 1.1. "Italian resident Noteholders", above).
- (C) <u>Pension Funds</u> Capital gains realised by Pension Funds on the Notes will contribute to determine the annual net accrued result of those same Pension Funds, which is subject to an 20% substitutive tax (see under paragraph 1.1. "Italian resident Noteholders", above).
- (D) Real Estate Investment Funds Capital gains realised by Italian Real Estate Investment Funds on the Notes are subject to the tax regime described under paragraph 1.1. "Italian resident Noteholders" above.

Capital gains realised by non-resident Noteholders without a permanent establishment in Italy to which the Notes are effectively connected on the disposal or redemption of the Notes are not subject to tax in Italy, regardless of whether the Notes are held in Italy, subject to the condition that the Notes are listed in a regulated market (e.g., Euronext Amsterdam or Luxembourg Stock Exchange). In relation to non-Italian resident persons holding the Notes with an Italian authorised financial intermediary, the exclusion of Italian taxation may be subject to certain procedural formalities.

## 2 Tax treatment of the Notes qualifying as atypical securities

Interest payments relating to debt instruments implying a "use of capital" that (a) are not deemed to fall within the category of bonds ("obbligazioni"), debentures similar to bonds (titoli similari alle obbligazioni), shares (azioni) or securities similar to shares (titoli similari alle azioni) pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 917 of 22 December 1986 ("TUIR") nor units of foreign undertakings for collective investment and (b) generate income from the investment of capital (reddito di capitale) pursuant Article 44 of TUIR would be considered as "atypical" securities pursuant to Article 8 of Law Decree No. 512 of 30 September 1983 converted by Law No. 649 of 25 November 1983, may be subject to a withholding tax, levied at the rate of 26 per cent. if made to the following Italian resident Noteholders: (i) individuals, (ii) non-commercial partnerships, (iii) Real Estate Investment Funds and Real Estate SICAFs, (iv) Investment Funds, SICAVs and SICAFs, (v) Pension Funds and (vi) entities exempt from Italian corporate income tax.

Payments made to Italian resident Noteholders which are companies or similar commercial entities (including a permanent establishment in Italy of a foreign entity to which the Notes are effectively connected) are not subject to the 26 per cent. withholding tax, but will form part of their aggregate income subject to IRES according to ordinary rules. In certain cases, such amounts may also be included in the taxable net value of production for IRAP purposes.

Such a withholding tax is levied by any entities, resident in Italy, which intervene in the collection of payment of the Notes or in the transfer of the Notes.

Interest payments relating to Notes received by non-Italian resident beneficial owners, provided that certain conditions and formalities are met, are generally not subject to tax in Italy.

Capital gains realised on any sale or transfer of the Notes for consideration or on redemption or exercise thereof by Italian resident individuals is subject to the tax regime described under paragraph 1.2. above.

#### 3 Tax treatment of securitised derivative financial instruments

Based on the principles stated by the Italian tax authorities in ruling No. 72/E of 12 July 2010, payments in respect of Notes qualifying as securitised derivative financial instruments not entailing a "use of

capital" as well as capital gains realised through the sale of the same Notes would be subject to Italian taxation according to the same rules described under paragraph 1.2. applicable on capital gains realised through the sale or transfer of the Notes.

#### 4 Transfer Taxes

Pursuant to article 37 of Law Decree 31 December 2007, n. 248 (converted into law by law 28 February 2008, n.31) the stamp duty tax (*tassa sui contratti di borsa*) provided by Royal Decree 30 December 1923 and Legislative Decree 21 November 1997, n.435 – which may have applied to transfers of Notes – was repealed.

Following the repeal of the Italian transfer tax, as from 31 December 2007 contracts relating to the transfer of securities are subject to the registration tax as follows: (i) public deeds and notarised deeds are subject to fixed registration tax at rate of  $\epsilon$ 200; (ii) private deeds are subject to registration tax at a rate of  $\epsilon$ 200, only in case of use or voluntary registration.

#### 5 Inheritance and Gift Tax

Pursuant to Law Decree No. 262 of October 3, 2006, as converted with amendment by Law N. 286 of 24 November 2006, as further amended by Law No. 296 of 27 December 2006, inheritance and gift taxes have been reintroduced in Italy, with effect as of 3 October 2006. Consequently, any transfer of Notes *mortis causa* or by reason of donation or gratuitously made on or after 3 October 2006, is liable to inheritance or gift tax according to the following rates and exclusions:

- (a) If the beneficiary is a spouse as well as any direct-line of kin, the taxes apply with a rate of 4% on the value of the assets (net of liabilities) exceeding, for each person, €1,000,000;
- (b) If the beneficiary (or donee) is any other relative, besides the above, up to the fourth degree, direct line of cognate and collateral line of cognate up to the third degree, the taxes apply with a rate of 6% on the relevant value of the assets (net of liabilities); if the beneficiary (or donee) is a brother or sister, such 6% rate applies on the net asset value exceeding for each person €100,000; and or
- (c) If the beneficiary (or donee) is any other person, the taxes apply with a rate of 8% on the relevant value of the assets (net of liabilities).

If the beneficiary (donee) is affected by an handicap deemed as "critical" pursuant to Law No. 104 of 5 February 1992, inheritance and gift taxes apply only on the value of assets (net of liabilities) exceeding €1,500,000.

#### 6 Wealth Tax

According to Article 19 of Law Decree No. 201 of 6 December 2011 ("**Decree No. 201**"), converted with Law No. 214 of 22 December 2011, Italian resident individuals holding certain financial assets – including the Notes – outside of the Italian territory are required to pay a wealth tax at the rate of 0.2% (the tax is determined in proportion to the period of ownership). The tax applies on the market value at the end of the relevant year or – in the lack of the market value – on the nominal value or redemption value or – in the case the nominal or redemption value cannot be determined – on the purchase value of such financial assets held outside of the Italian territory. A tax credit is granted for any foreign wealth tax levied abroad on such financial assets (up to the amount of the Italian wealth tax due).

## 7 Stamp taxes and duties

According to Article 19 of Decree No. 201, a proportional stamp duty applies on a yearly basis and at the rate of 0.20% on the market value or – in the lack of a market value – on the nominal value or the redemption amount of any financial product or financial instruments. Based on the wording of the law and the implementing decree issued by the Italian Ministry of Finance on 24 May 2012, the stamp duty applies to any investor who is a client (as defined in the regulations issued by the Bank of Italy on 20 June 2012) of an entity that exercises in any form a banking, financial or insurance activity within the Italian territory.

For investors other than individuals, the annual stamp duty cannot exceed the amount of Euro 14,000.

### 8 Tax Monitoring

Pursuant to Law Decree No. 167 of 28 June 1990, as amended by Law No. 97 of 6 August 2013 and by Law No. 50 of 28 March 2014, individuals, non-commercial partnerships (in particular, "società semplici" or similar partnership in accordance with Article 5 of TUIR) and non-commercial entities which are resident in Italy for tax purposes and in the course of the year hold (or are beneficial owners, as defined for anti-money laundering purposes, of) investments abroad or have financial activities abroad must, in certain circumstances, disclose the aforesaid and related transactions to the Italian Tax Authorities in their income tax return (or, in case the income tax return is not due, in a proper form that must be filed within the same time as the income tax return), regardless of the value of such assets (save for deposits or bank accounts having an aggregate value not exceeding €15,000 throughout the year).

The above reporting is not required with respect to Notes deposited at source with qualified Italian intermediaries and with respect to contracts entered into through their intervention, provided that the financial flows and income derived from the Notes are subject to tax by the same intermediaries.

#### 9 Italian Financial Transaction Tax

According to Article 1 of Law No. 228 of 24 December 2012, no. 228 and the related implementing regulations, an Italian Financial Transaction tax ("Italian FTT") applies (subject to certain exceptions) on the transfer of property rights in shares and other equity instruments issued by Italian resident companies as well as on securities representative of the same shares or other equity instruments issued by Italian resident companies regardless of the tax residence of the issuer of the certificates. Italian FTT applies regardless of the tax residence of the parties and/or where the transaction is entered into. Italian FTT applies on the transfer of shares and equity instruments at a rate of 0.20 per cent. in subsequent years, reduced to 0.10 per cent., respectively, if the transaction is executed on a regulated market or a multilateral trading system as defined under Directive 2004/39/CE of States of the European Union or of States of the European Economic Area allowing an adequate exchange of information with the Italian tax authorities. The taxable base is the transaction value, which is defined as the consideration paid for the transfer or as the net balance of the transactions executed by the same subject in the course of the same day.

Specific exemptions are provided for the transfer of shares and equity instruments under certain transactions (such as repo or securities lending transactions), for the shares and equity instruments traded on regulated markets or multilateral trading systems issued by companies with an average market capitalization below certain thresholds or for transactions executed by certain parties (such as, for example, mandatory providential entities).

Italian FTT also applies on the execution of transactions on derivative financial instruments as defined under Article 1, paragraph 3, legislative decree 24 February 1998, n. 58, on securities that do not provide for an unconditional obligation of the issuer to pay an amount at maturity at least equal to their nominal value and allowing the purchase or sale of financial instruments referred to under Article 1, paragraph 1-bis, lett. c) legislative decree 24 February 1998, n. 58 or on securities providing for a cash settlement referred to under Article 1, paragraph 1-bis, lett. d), legislative decree 24 February 1998, no. 58, if the underlying financial

instruments or the underlying reference value is represented for more than 50% by the market value of shares or equity instruments issued by Italian resident companies or certificates representative of the same shares or equity instruments. According to the provisions stated by Article 56 of Law Decree No. 69 of 21 June 2013 (to be converted into law within sixty days from the publication on the Official Gazette) Italian FTT applies on such derivative financial instruments and securities a fixed amount for each transaction, ranging from €0.01875 to €200, depending on the notional value of the instrument and the type of underlying financial instrument. Such amount is reduced to 1/5 in case of transactions executed on regulated markets or on multilateral systems as defined under Directive 2004/39/CE of States of the European Union or of States of the European Economic Area allowing an adequate exchange of information with the Italian tax authorities.

#### LUXEMBOURG TAXATION

Noteholders who either are tax residents of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg or have a permanent establishment, a permanent representative or a fixed base of business in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg with which the holding of the Notes would be connected will be hereafter referred to as the "Luxembourg Noteholders".

Noteholders do not become residents of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg by merely subscribing, acquiring or holding Notes unless their holding is connected with a permanent establishment, a permanent representative or a fixed base of business they have in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg.

The statements herein regarding taxation on the Notes in Luxembourg are based on the laws in force in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg as of 27 June 2016, which are subject to changes in its content or its interpretation. The following summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations which may be relevant to a decision to purchase, own or dispose of the Notes. Each prospective holder or beneficial owner of Notes should consult its tax advisor as to the Luxembourg tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of the Notes.

## Withholding tax

Under Luxembourg tax law currently in effect, with the possible exception of interest paid to individual Noteholders and to certain entities under the Relibi Law (as defined below), as well as interest payments on certain profit participating instruments. There is no Luxembourg withholding tax on payments of interest (including accrued but unpaid interest) or repayments of principal.

## Luxembourg taxation on interest payments made to individual Luxembourg residents ("Relibi")

In accordance with the law of 23 December 2005 introducing a withholding tax on certain income from savings, as amended, ("**Relibi Law**") interest payments made by Luxembourg paying agents to Luxembourg individual residents or to certain residual entities that secure interest payments on behalf of Luxembourg individual residents are subject to a 10% withholding tax ("**Luxembourg Withholding Tax**" or "**Relibi**"). Responsibility for withholding such tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent.

In case the individual does not hold the instrument as part of his private wealth, but as part of a commercial (or independent) undertaking, the interest is fully taxable. The current top income tax rate is at 43.6 % (i.e., maximum 40% plus a solidarity surcharge of currently up to 9% on the 40%), to which a 0.5% temporary equalisation contribution will be added. The 10% Relibi withheld would in that case not be treated as final tax but can be credited against the Luxembourg personal income tax liability.

#### **Taxation of the Noteholders**

#### General

Noteholders who are residents of Luxembourg will not be liable to any Luxembourg income tax upon repayment of principal of the Notes.

A Noteholder who is a resident of Luxembourg for tax purposes or who has a permanent establishment or a fixed place of business in Luxembourg, to which the Notes are attributable, is subject to Luxembourg income tax in respect of the interest received or accrued on, or any other income derived from, the Notes.

Specific exemptions may be available for certain tax payers benefiting from a particular status.

## Luxembourg resident individuals

Pursuant to the Relibi Law, Luxembourg resident individuals acting in the course of their private wealth can opt to self-declare and pay a 10% tax (the "10% Tax") on interest payments made after 31 December 2007 by certain non-Luxembourg paying agents (defined in the same way as in the EU Council Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments, as amended, (the "EU Savings Directive"), including paying agents located in an EU Member State other than Luxembourg, a Member State of the European Economic Area or in a State which has concluded an international agreement directly related to the EU Savings Directive. The 10% Luxembourg Withholding Tax (see the above section "Withholding tax") or the above 10% Tax represent the final tax liability on interest received for the Luxembourg resident individuals receiving the payment in the course of their private wealth and can be refunded in consideration of foreign withholding tax, based on double tax treaties concluded by Luxembourg. Individual Luxembourg resident Noteholders receiving interest if any as business income must include interest income in their taxable basis; the 10% Luxembourg Withholding Tax levied will be credited against their final income tax liability.

Luxembourg individual Noteholders are not subject to taxation on capital gains upon the disposal of the Notes, unless the disposal of the Notes precedes the acquisition of the Notes or the Notes are disposed of within six months of the date of acquisition of these Notes. Upon the sale, redemption or exchange of the Notes, accrued but unpaid interest if any will be subject to the 10% Luxembourg Withholding Tax, or to the 10% Tax if the Luxembourg resident individuals opt for the 10% Tax on interest payments made after 31 December 2007 by certain non-Luxembourg paying agents (as explained above). Individual Luxembourg resident Noteholders receiving the interest as business income must include the portion of the price corresponding to this interest in their taxable income; the 10% Luxembourg Withholding Tax levied will be credited against their final income tax liability.

## Luxembourg resident companies

Luxembourg resident companies (sociétés de capitaux) Noteholders or foreign entities of the same type which have a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in Luxembourg with which the holding of the Notes is connected must include in their taxable income any interest (including accrued but unpaid interest) and the difference between the sale or redemption price (including accrued but unpaid interest) and the lower of the cost or book value of the Notes sold or redeemed.

### Luxembourg resident companies benefiting from a special tax regime

Luxembourg resident companies Noteholders which are companies benefiting from a special tax regime such as (i) family wealth management companies subject to the law of 11 May 2007, as amended, or (ii) undertakings for collective investment subject to the law of 17 December 2010 (replacing the law of 20 December 2002) as amended, or (iii) specialised investment funds subject to the law of 13 February 2007, as amended, are tax exempt entities in Luxembourg, and are thus not subject to any Luxembourg tax (i.e.,

corporate income tax, municipal business tax and net wealth tax) other than the annual subscription tax calculated on their (paid up) share capital (and share premium) or net asset value.

#### Wealth tax

A corporate Noteholder, whether it is a resident of Luxembourg for tax purposes or, if not, it maintains a permanent establishment or a permanent representative or a fixed place of business in Luxembourg to which such Notes are attributable, is subject to Luxembourg net wealth tax on such Notes, except if the Noteholder is governed by the law of 11 May 2007 on family estate companies, as amended, by the laws of 20 December 2002 or 17 December 2010 on undertakings for collective investment, as amended, by the law of 13 February 2007 on specialised investment funds, as amended, or is a securitisation company governed by the law of 22 March 2004 on securitisation, as amended, or a capital company governed by the law of 15 June 2004 on venture capital vehicles, as amended.

Nevertheless, further to the law of 18 December 2015 on net wealth tax aspects, securitisation corporations governed by the law of 22 March 2004 on securitisation, and venture capital corporations governed by the law of 15 June 2004 relating to the investment company in risk capital, should be in the scope of the minimum net wealth tax, which may vary depending on the total amount of their balance sheet as well as the type of assets held, and should range from EUR 535 to EUR 32,100.

An individual Noteholder, whether he/she is resident of Luxembourg or not, is not subject to Luxembourg wealth tax on Notes.

#### Other Taxes

There is no Luxembourg registration tax, stamp duty or any other similar tax or duty payable in Luxembourg by Luxembourg Noteholders as a consequence of the issuance of the Notes, nor will any of these taxes be payable as a consequence of a subsequent transfer of the Notes, redemption of the Notes.

#### MALTESE TAXATION

The description below does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all Maltese tax considerations that could be relevant for holders of the Notes. This summary is intended to provide general information only. Each prospective holder should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Notes. This summary is based on Maltese tax legislation and published case law in force as at 27 June 2016. It does not take into account any developments or amendments thereof after that date, whether or not such developments or amendments have retroactive effect.

## General principles on jurisdiction to tax

Subject to the provisions of applicable double taxation agreements, Malta imposes tax on all income and chargeable capital gains arising in Malta irrespective of the residence or domicile of the recipient of such income or gains, and on all income and capital gains not arising in Malta derived by persons who are both ordinarily resident and domiciled in Malta irrespective of where such income or gains are received. Persons who are resident but not domiciled in Malta or vice versa, are only taxable in Malta on income arising outside Malta to the extent that such income is received in or remitted to Malta. Persons resident but not domiciled in Malta are not taxable on any capital gains arising outside Malta even if such gains are remitted to Malta.

Since the payor of the interest on the Notes is not resident in Malta the interest should be regarded as not arising in Malta. Furthermore, any capital gains derived from the alienation of the Notes should also be regarded as arising outside Malta. Accordingly persons deriving interest and capital gains from the Notes who are both not resident and not domiciled in Malta fall outside the scope of Maltese tax legislation The comments made below are applicable to persons who are both ordinarily resident and domiciled in Malta.

With regard to persons who are resident but not domiciled (or vice versa) the comments below are applicable to the extent that the interest income from the Notes is received in Malta and it should be noted that such persons would not be subject to tax on capital gains derived from the alienation of the Notes.

Should a person acquire the Notes during the course of a trading activity carried on in Malta, any income or gains derived from the Notes would be deemed to arise in Malta and will therefore be taxable in Malta.

The applicable tax rate in Malta for a company is 35 per cent while individuals are subject to tax in Malta at progressive rates starting from 0% and going up to 35%. Income and gains falling within the definition of "investment income", as defined under the Investment Income Provisions of the Income Tax Act ("ITA") may be charged with a final withholding tax of 15 per cent subject to the satisfaction of certain statutory conditions (as explained below).

#### Interest

The tax treatment of any interest income derived from the Notes is dependent on whether the income qualifies as investment income and whether the recipient of the interest can benefit from the investment income provisions. The ITA provides an exhaustive list of sources of income which qualify as investment income for Maltese tax purposes and includes inter alia "interest, discounts or premiums payable in respect of a public issue by a company, entity or other legal person howsoever constituted and whether resident in Malta or otherwise".

Investment income paid by a "payor" to a "recipient" (as defined) is subject to a 15 per cent final withholding tax, unless the recipient elects to be paid the investment income without deduction of the final withholding tax.

A "recipient" is a person resident in Malta during the year in which investment income is payable to him, (other than a person carrying on the business of banking or insurance) or a receiver, guardian, tutor, curator, judicial sequestrator or committee acting on behalf of such person or a trustee or foundation pursuant to or by virtue of which any money or other property whatsoever is paid or applied for the benefit of such person. A collective investment scheme registered in Malta will only qualify as a "recipient" if it qualifies as a "prescribed fund" in terms of Maltese law and the investment income is not paid by another collective investment scheme.

As the issuer of the Notes is a person not resident in Malta and the issue of the Notes is made on a stock exchange outside of Malta, the issuer does not have an obligation to withhold 15% tax even if the payment of the interest is made to a person who is a "recipient" in terms of the Investment Income Provisions. Thus, if the recipient of the interest would want to benefit from the 15% withholding tax, the recipient is required to receive the interest through a Maltese authorised financial intermediary.

Where the payment of the interest is made through a Maltese authorised financial intermediary and withholding tax has been deducted from the interest paid to the recipient the tax is final and the recipient need not declare the investment income in a Maltese income tax return. The tax withheld will not be available for credit against that person's tax liability or for a refund, as the case may be.

A recipient may opt to receive the interest income without deduction of withholding tax in which case such person will be obliged to declare the interest income in the income tax return and will be subject to tax on such interest income at the standard rates of tax applicable to that person at the time the interest income is received by the holder of the Notes.

Where a recipient benefits from the 15 per cent rate and the recipient suffers foreign tax (whether directly or by way of withholding) no relief for double taxation would be available. Furthermore, the 15 per cent final withholding tax will be determined on the gross income (i.e. prior to deducting the foreign tax).

## Capital Gains

Where an investor deals with the Notes during the course of a trading activity, any profit derived by that person from the alienation of the Notes will be considered to be of an income nature and will be taxable at that person's applicable tax rates.

Conversely where the Notes are held as a capital asset, any gain derived from the redemption or transfer of the Notes will be considered to be a capital gain and not income. The comments hereunder apply where the Notes are held as a capital asset and a gain is derived from the redemption or transfer of the Notes.

In terms of the double tax treaty between Malta and The Netherlands, Malta has exclusive taxing rights over any capital gains realised on the transfer of the securities by residents of Malta (in the circumstances and subject to the terms and conditions set out in the said treaty). The Netherlands may also tax such gains if the Notes qualify as shares or "jouissance" rights in a company which is resident in The Netherlands, and the gains are derived by an individual who is a resident of Malta but has been a resident of The Netherlands in the course of the last five years preceding the alienation of the Notes.

In terms of Maltese law, only certain capital gains are taxable. The law provides that any capital gains derived from the transfer of any rights over any securities are taxable. Securities are defined "as shares and stocks and such like instruments that participate in any way in the profits of the company and whose return is not limited to a fixed rate of return".

Where the Notes do not satisfy the definition of securities, any capital gains arising on their redemption or disposal will not be subject to tax in Malta.

Where the Notes satisfy the definition of securities any gain derived from their alienation is taxable in the hands of resident and domiciled persons. In this case the applicable tax rate is dependent on whether the capital gain qualifies as "investment income", which includes "capital gains arising on the redemption, liquidation or cancellation of securities [...] not being shares in a company". Where the securities as defined above are not shares in a company, any capital gain arising on the redemption, liquidation or cancellation (but not a disposal) of the securities will qualify as investment income and therefore, subject to the same considerations mentioned with respect to "interest", will be subject to the final withholding tax rate of 15 per cent if the payment is made through an "Authorised Financial Intermediary" unless the recipient opts to be paid gross in which case the recipient is obliged to disclose the gain in his tax return and is taxed at the normal applicable tax rates. Since the law only regards as investment income capital gains derived from "redemption, liquidation or cancellation" of the Notes any capital gain derived from any other method of disposal of the Notes would normally be taxable at the applicable tax rate(s) of the transferor.

Capital gains derived from the alienation of the Notes by persons who though resident are not domiciled in Malta (or vice versa) should not be subject to tax in Malta if such gains are not remitted to Malta.

## Duty on documents and transfers (stamp duty)

In terms of the Duty on Documents and Transfers Act, a stamp duty of  $\[mathub{\epsilon}\]2$  for every  $\[mathub{\epsilon}\]100$  or part thereof in respect of the consideration or the real value is chargeable on the transfer of "marketable security". Marketable security is defined as a holding of share capital in any company and any document representing the same. As the Notes should not be considered to be a holding in the share capital of the company, the Notes should not be subject to any stamp duty in Malta.

## Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information

The EU Council Directive 2014/107/EU has been implemented into Maltese legislation by virtue of, the Cooperation with Other Jurisdiction on Tax Matters (Amendment) Regulations, 2015 (LN 384 of 2015). In terms of such legislation, information processing and reporting obligations will arise as from 1 January

2016 on the basis of the amended Directive on Administrative Cooperation and will be due for submission in 2017.

As the Issuer of the Notes is not resident in Malta and it does not have a branch in Malta, the Issuer will not have any reporting obligations in Malta on any interest paid to the Note Holders.

#### PORTUGUESE TAXATION

The description below should only be considered as a brief summary of certain Portuguese tax consequences stemming from the acquisition, ownership and disposal of Notes. This summary does not analyse the tax implications that may indirectly arise from the decision to invest in the Notes, such as those relating to the tax framework of financing obtained to support such investment or those pertaining to the counterparties of the potential investors, regarding any transaction involving the Notes. The meaning of the terminology adopted in respect of every technical feature, including the qualification of the securities issued as debt instruments (which is assumed in this summary), the classification of taxable events, the arrangements for taxation and potential tax benefits, among others, is the one presently in force in Portugal. No other interpretations or meanings, potentially employed in other countries, are considered.

This summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all of the tax considerations that may be relevant to any particular Noteholder, including tax considerations that arise from rules of general application or that are generally assumed to be known to Noteholders. Furthermore, the tax framework described below is subject to any changes in law and practices (and the interpretation and application thereof) at any moment. It also does not contain in-depth information about all special and exceptional regimes, which may entail tax consequences at variance with those described herewith. Potential investors should not rely upon such summary and should consult their own tax advisers for information with respect to the special tax consequences that may arise as a result of acquiring, holding or disposing of Notes, including the applicability and effect of foreign income tax rules, provisions contained in double taxation treaties and other rules which may be applicable.

## Resident individuals

### Acquisition of Notes for consideration

The acquisition of Notes for consideration is not subject to Portuguese taxation.

## Income arising from the ownership of Notes

Economic benefits derived from interest, amortisation, reimbursement premiums and other instances of remuneration arising from the Notes (including, upon a transfer of the Notes, the interest accrued since the last date on which interest was due), are classified as "investment income" for Portuguese tax purposes.

Investment income obtained on the Notes by a Portuguese resident individual is subject to Portuguese personal income tax (*Imposto sobre o Rendimento das Pessoas Singulares* – "**IRPS**"). If investment income is made available to Portuguese resident individuals by a Portuguese paying agent, acting on behalf of, or contractually obliged by, either the non resident entity (bound to pay the income) or the Portuguese resident individuals, withholding tax applies at a rate of 28 per cent. This represents a final withholding, releasing the Noteholders from the obligation to disclose the above income to the Portuguese tax authorities and from the payment of any additional amount of IRPS, unless deriving such income in the capacity of entrepreneur or self-employed professional. Investment income paid or made available to accounts opened in the name of one or more accountholders acting on behalf of one or more unidentified third parties is subject to a final withholding tax rate of 35 per cent., unless the relevant beneficial owner(s) of the income is identified, in which case the tax rates applicable to such beneficial owner(s) apply.

If the investment income on the Notes is not received through a paying agent located in Portugal, it is not subject to Portuguese withholding tax, but IRPS at a special tax rate of 28 per cent. will apply. Moreover, if the entity paying out the investment income to the Noteholder is resident in a country, territory or region subject to a clearly more favourable tax regime, as listed in the Ministerial Order no. 150/2004, of 13 February, as amended by Ministerial Order no. 292/2011, of 8 November, the withholding tax rate or the special tax rate, as applicable, is increased to 35 per cent.

Alternatively, the Noteholders may opt for declaring said income in their tax returns, together with the remaining items of income derived. In that event, investment income shall be liable for IRPS at the rate resulting from the application of the relevant progressive tax brackets for the year in question. The aggregate amount is subject to IRPS at progressive rates of up to 48 per cent., plus a State surtax (sobretaxa extraordinária) as follows: 1 per cent. on the part of the taxable income exceeding  $\in$  7,000 up to  $\in$  20,000, (ii) 1.75 per cent. on the part of the taxable income exceeding  $\in$  20,000 up to  $\in$  40,000, (iii) 3 per cent. on the part of the taxable income exceeding  $\in$  80,000 (please note that this surtax is expected to be eliminated in 2017), and a solidarity tax (taxa adicional de solidariedade) of up to 5 per cent. on income exceeding  $\in$  250,000 (2.5 per cent. on income below  $\in$  250,000, but exceeding  $\in$  80,000). The progressive taxation under the IRPS rules may then go up to 56.5 per cent. (for the amount of the annual income that exceeds  $\in$  80,000), being the tax withheld deemed as a payment on account of the final tax due.

#### Capital gains and capital losses arising from the disposal of Notes for consideration

Capital gains obtained by Portuguese resident individuals on the transfer of Notes are taxed at a special tax rate of 28 per cent. levied on the positive difference between the capital gains and capital losses of each year. Alternatively, the Noteholders may opt for declaring such income in their tax returns, together with the remaining items of income derived. The aggregate amount is subject to IRPS at progressive rates of up to 48 per cent., plus a State surtax (sobretaxa extraordinária) as follows: 1 per cent. on the part of the taxable income exceeding  $\in$  7,000 up to  $\in$  20,000, (ii) 1.75 per cent. on the part of the taxable income exceeding  $\in$  40,000 up to  $\in$  80,000 and (iv) 3.5 per cent. on the part of the taxable income exceeding  $\in$  80,000 (please note that this surtax is expected to be eliminated in 2017). The progressive taxation under the IRPS rules may then go up to 56.5 per cent. (for the amount of the annual income that exceeds  $\in$  80,000). No Portuguese withholding tax is levied on capital gains.

Losses arising from disposals for consideration in favour of counterparties subject to a clearly more favourable tax regime in the country, territory or region where it is a tax resident, listed in the Ministerial Order no. 150/2004 of 13 February, as amended by Ministerial Order no. 292/2011, of 8 November, are disregarded for purposes of assessing the positive or negative balance referred to in the previous paragraph.

Where the Portuguese resident individual chooses to disclose the capital gains or losses in his or her IRPS return, any capital losses which were not offset against capital gains in the relevant tax period may be carried forward for five years and offset future capital gains.

## Gratuitous acquisition of Notes

The gratuitous acquisition (per death or in life) of Notes by Portuguese tax resident individuals is not liable for stamp tax (otherwise due at a 10 per cent. rate) since the issuer is not a Portuguese tax resident entity. Spouses, ancestors and descendants would nonetheless avail of an exemption from stamp tax on said acquisitions.

# Resident corporate entities or non resident corporate entities with a permanent establishment to which income associated with the Notes is imputable

## Acquisition of Notes for consideration

The acquisition of Notes for consideration is not subject to Portuguese taxation.

#### Income arising from the ownership of Notes

Investment income obtained on Notes by Portuguese legal persons resident for tax purposes in Portugal and by non resident legal persons with a permanent establishment in Portugal to which the income or gains are attributable are included in their taxable income and are subject to Portuguese corporate income tax (*Imposto sobre o Rendimento das Pessoas Coletivas* – "**IRC**") at a rate of 21 per cent. (small and medium-sized enterprises, as defined by law and subject to the *de minimis* rule of the European Union, avail of a 17 per cent. corporate income tax rate for the first  $\in$  15,000 of taxable income). A municipal surcharge (*derrama municipal*) of up to 1.5 per cent. (as set by municipal bodies) of its taxable income may be added. Corporate taxpayers are also subject to a State surcharge (*derrama estadual*) of 3 per cent. on the portion of the taxable profit between  $\in$  1.5 million and  $\in$  7.5 million of 5 per cent. on the portion of the taxable profits between  $\in$  7.5 million and  $\in$  35 million and of 7 per cent. on the portion exceeding  $\in$  35 million.

Since the issuer of the Notes is always a non Portuguese resident entity with no permanent establishment in Portugal, no withholding on account of the final IRC liability applies, irrespective of the location of the paying agent.

Corporate entities recognised as having public interest and charities, pension funds, retirement saving funds, education savings funds, retirement and education savings funds, share savings funds, venture capital funds organised and operating in accordance with Portuguese law and some other similar entities are exempt from IRC.

#### Capital gains arising from the disposal of Notes for consideration

Capital gains obtained with the transfer of Notes by legal persons resident for tax purposes in Portugal and by non resident legal persons with a permanent establishment in Portugal to which the income or gains are attributable are included in their taxable income and are subject to IRC at a rate of 21 per cent. (small and medium-sized enterprises, as defined by law and subject to the *de minimis* rule of the European Union, avail of a 17 per cent. corporate income tax rate for the first  $\in$  15,000 of taxable income). A municipal surcharge (*derrama municipal*) of up to 1.5 per cent. (as set by municipal bodies) of its taxable income may be added. Corporate taxpayers are also subject to a State surcharge (*derrama estadual*) of 3 per cent. on the portion of the taxable profits between  $\in$  1.5 million and  $\in$  7.5 million of 5 per cent. on the portion of the taxable profits between  $\in$  7.5 million and  $\in$  35 million and of 7 per cent. on the portion exceeding  $\in$  35 million.

No Portuguese withholding tax is levied on capital gains.

Corporate entities recognised as having public interest and charities, pension funds, retirement saving funds, education savings funds, retirement and education savings funds, share savings funds, venture capital funds organised and operating in accordance with Portuguese law and some other similar entities are exempt from IRC.

## Gratuitous acquisition of Notes

The positive net variation in worth, not reflected in the profit and loss account of the financial year, arising from the gratuitous transfer of Notes to Portuguese tax resident corporate entities liable for IRC or to permanent establishments to which it is imputable, is taken into consideration for purposes of computing the taxable profit for IRC purposes.

IRC is levied on the taxable basis (computed as the taxable profit deducted of tax losses carried forward) at a rate of up 21 per cent. (small and medium-sized enterprises, as defined by law and subject to the *de minimis* rule of the European Union, avail of a 17 per cent. corporate income tax rate for the first  $\in$  15,000 of taxable income). A municipal surcharge (*derrama municipal*) of up to 1.5 per cent. (as set by municipal bodies) of its taxable income may be added. Corporate taxpayers are also subject to a State surcharge (*derrama estadual*) of 3 per cent. on the portion of the taxable profit between  $\in$  1.5 million and  $\in$  7.5 million of 5 per cent. on the portion of the taxable profits between  $\in$  7.5 million and  $\in$  35 million and of 7 per cent. on the portion exceeding  $\in$  35 million.

## **SPANISH TAXATION**

The following general summary does not consider all aspects of income taxation in Spain that may be relevant to a holder of the Notes in the light of the holder's particular circumstances and income tax situation. This summary applies to holders of the Notes, who are solely tax resident in Spain, and it is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice. It is based on Spanish tax laws and regulations, all as currently in effect and all subject to change at any time, possibly with retroactive effect. This summary does no take into account any regional or local legislation that could be of application.

Prospective holders are urged to consult their own tax advisers as to the particular tax consequences to them of subscribing, purchasing, holding and disposing of the Notes, including the application and effect of state, local, foreign and other tax laws and the possible effects of changes in the tax laws of Spain.

As a general rule, on the basis that the Issuer is not resident in Spain for tax purposes and does not operate in Spain through a permanent establishment, as defined in the article 13.1.a of the Royal Legislative Decree 5/2004, of March 5, promulgating the Consolidated Text of the Non Resident Income Tax Law or in the applicable tax treaty, all payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes can be made free of any withholding or deduction for or on account of any taxes in Spain of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld, or assessed by Spain or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein, in accordance with applicable Spanish law.

Notwithstanding the above, investors should consider the following rules:

#### Spanish resident individuals

Personal Income Tax (Impuesto sobre la Renta de las Personas Físicas)

The withholding tax regime will be as follows:

- (i) Interest paid to holders who are Spanish resident individuals will be subject to Spanish withholding tax at 19 per cent. for tax period 2016 to be deducted by the depositary entity of the Notes or the entity in charge of collecting the income derived thereunder, provided such entities are resident for tax purposes in Spain or have a permanent establishment in the Spanish territory.
- (ii) Income obtained upon transfer of the Notes will be subject to Spanish withholding tax at 19 per cent. for tax period 2016 to be deducted by the financial entity acting on behalf of the seller, provided such entity is resident for tax purposes in Spain or has a permanent establishment in the Spanish territory.
- (iii) Income obtained upon redemption of the Notes will be subject to Spanish withholding tax at 19 per cent. for tax period 2016 to be deducted by the financial entity appointed by the Issuer (if any) for redemption of the Notes, provided such entity is resident for tax purposes in Spain or has a permanent establishment in the Spanish territory.

#### Other taxes

Individual investors resident in Spain for tax purposes should also consider potential Spanish Net Wealth Tax implications in relation to the holding of the Notes, as well as where applicable Inheritance & Gift Tax implications. Implications may vary depending on the Spanish Autonomous Region where the relevant individual is domiciled for tax purposes.

#### Spanish entities

Corporate Income Tax ("CIT")

Under certain conditions, withholding taxes may apply to Spanish taxpayers when a Spanish resident entity or a non-resident entity that operates in Spain through a permanent establishment in Spain is acting as depositary of the Notes, as a financial entity appointed by the Issuer or as a collecting agent of any income arising from the Notes (withholding tax at 19 per cent. for tax period 2016.

Finally, please note that no withholding on account of the final CIT liability of Spanish corporate investors will have to be deducted on income derived under the Notes if, and to the extent that, the Notes are listed on an organised market of an OECD country provided that certain requirements are met.

## New disclosure obligations in connection with Notes held abroad by Spanish resident natural and legal persons (form 720)

According to Law 7/2012, of 30 October 2012, Spanish resident natural or legal persons holding certain categories of assets abroad (including inter alia all types of debt securities such as the Notes) may be potentially liable to report them to the Spanish tax authorities on a yearly basis in certain circumstances. Accordingly, any Spanish resident individual (and corporate Noteholders, despite there are wider exemptions for these) using a non-Spanish resident custodian to hold the Notes may be potentially liable to comply with such reporting obligations in respect of the Notes, if certain conditions are met. Failure to meet this new reporting obligation may trigger significant tax penalties and other tax implications. Any Spanish resident Noteholders are therefore encouraged to consult with their own tax advisors as to whether this reporting obligations may be applicable to them in connection with the holding of the Notes.

## **SWEDISH TAXATION**

The following summary outlines certain Swedish tax issues that may arise as a result of acquiring, holding and disposing of Notes. The summary is based on current Swedish tax legislation and is intended only as general information for holders of Notes who are individuals and limited liability companies resident in Sweden for tax purposes, unless otherwise indicated. The summary does not deal comprehensively with all tax consequences that may occur for holders of Notes and is neither intended to be nor should be construed as legal or tax advice. For instance, it does not cover the specific rules where Notes are held by a partnership or as current assets in a business operation. Neither does the summary cover Notes which are placed on an investment savings account (Sw. Investeringssparkonto) and that are subject to special rules on standardised income. Special tax consequences that are not described below may also apply for certain categories of taxpayers, including investment companies and insurance companies. The tax treatment of each individual holder depends on such holder's particular circumstances. Prospective applicants for Notes should therefore consult their own tax advisers for information on the specific tax consequences that may arise in an individual case as a result of acquiring, holding and disposing of Notes, including the applicability and effect of foreign income tax rules, provisions contained in double taxation treaties and other rules which may be applicable.

Taxation of Individuals Tax Resident in Sweden

Capital Gains and Losses

For individuals who sell their Notes, or have their Notes redeemed or bought back, a taxable capital gain or deductible capital loss may arise. Capital gains are taxed as income from capital at a rate of 30%.

The capital gain or loss is calculated as the difference between the sales (or redemption) proceeds, after deduction of sales costs, and the Notes' acquisition cost for tax purposes. The acquisition cost for all Notes of the same type and class is calculated together in accordance with "average cost method". Upon the sale of listed securities that are taxed in the same manner as shares (Sw. *delägarrätter*), the tax basis may alternatively be determined as 20 per cent of the sales proceeds after deducting sales costs under the "notional rule". However, the notional rule does not apply to certain specific instruments such as forwards and options.

Gains or losses on currency exchange rate fluctuations may arise in relation to Notes where the sales proceeds received are in a foreign currency. However, no special calculations are required if the sales proceeds are exchanged into SEK within 30 days from the time of disposal. In such case, the exchange rate on the date of exchange shall be used when calculating the value of the sales proceeds. The exchange rate on the date of acquisition is generally used when determining the acquisition cost for tax purposes.

The Notes could be defined as:

- (a) receivables (Sw. fordringsrätt);
- (b) listed shares and other listed securities that are taxed in the same manner as shares (Sw. delägarrätt); or
- (c) non-financial items (Sw. andra tillgångar).

The distinction between these categories is mainly relevant due to the fact that capital losses are treated differently under Swedish tax law depending on the classification of an instrument.

As a general rule, 70% of a capital loss is deductible against any other taxable income from capital. However, capital losses on listed Swedish receivables are fully deductible against other capital income. According to Swedish case law, full deductibility should also apply to capital losses on listed foreign receivables.

Capital losses on listed shares and other listed securities that are taxed in the same manner as shares (except for listed shares in securities funds or special funds containing only Swedish receivables), are fully deductible against taxable gains on such assets and on non-listed shares in Swedish limited liability companies and foreign legal entities. On non-listed shares in Swedish limited liability companies and foreign legal entities, only five sixths of capital losses are deductible. If capital losses pertain to both listed and non-listed shares, the losses pertaining to the listed shares are deductible prior to the losses on the non-listed shares. 70% of any excess amount is deductible according to the general rule or five sixths of 70% is deductible if the capital loss relates to non-listed shares. Capital losses on listed shares in securities funds or special funds containing only Swedish receivables are fully deductible in the income from capital category.

If there is a net loss in the capital income category, a tax reduction is allowed against municipal and national income tax, as well as against real estate tax and municipal real estate charges. A tax reduction of 30% is allowed on the portion of such net loss that does not exceed SEK 100,000 and of 21% on any remaining loss. Any remaining net loss cannot be carried forward to future fiscal years.

#### **Interest Payments**

Any interest income received by an individual on the Notes will be subject to Swedish tax at a tax rate of 30% in the income from capital category. Interest is taxable when the income can be disposed of.

If amounts that are considered to be interest for Swedish tax purposes are paid by Euroclear Sweden AB or by another legal entity domiciled in Sweden, including a Swedish branch, to an individual (or an estate of a deceased individual) resident in Sweden for Swedish tax purposes, Swedish preliminary taxes (Sw.

preliminärskatt) are normally withheld at a rate of 30% by Euroclear Sweden AB or such legal entity on such payments. Swedish preliminary taxes will normally be withheld also on other return on securities and receivables (but not capital gains), if the return is paid out together with an amount that is considered to be interest for Swedish tax purposes.

# Taxation of Limited Liability Companies Tax Resident in Sweden

Limited liability companies are normally taxed on all income (e.g. income that is considered to be interest for Swedish tax purposes and capital gains on Notes) as income from business operations at a rate of 22%. Amortisation of principal is not subject to Swedish income tax.

Regarding the calculation of capital gains or losses, see section "Taxation of Individuals Tax Resident in Sweden" above. However, for limited liability companies, interest income and currency exchange fluctuations are normally taxable, or deductible, as the case may be, on an accrual basis.

Deductible capital losses on shares and other securities that are taxed in the same manner as shares (Sw. delägarrätter) may only be deducted against taxable capital gains on such instruments. Such capital losses may also, if certain conditions are fulfilled, be offset against such capital gains in a company within the same group, provided that the requirements for exchanging group contributions (Sw. koncernbidrag) are met. A capital loss that cannot be utilised during a given year may be carried forward and be offset against taxable capital gains on shares and other securities that are taxed in the same manner as shares during subsequent fiscal years without any limitation in time.

Capital losses on non-financial items (Sw. annan tillgång) are fully deductible for tax purposes when the holder is a limited liability company.

Tax deductible capital losses on receivables incurred by a limited liability companies and certain other legal entities are normally fully deductible against any taxable income.

Specific rules may apply to Notes held as a hedge for foreign currency exposure.

### Taxation of Holders of Notes Who are Not Tax Resident in Sweden

Payments of any principal amount or any amount that is considered to be interest for Swedish tax purposes to holders of Notes who are not tax resident in Sweden and who are not engaged in trade or business in Sweden through a permanent establishment to which the Notes are attributable should not be subject to Swedish income tax. An individual is resident in Sweden for Swedish tax purposes if he/she (a) is domiciled in Sweden; (b) has his/her habitual abode in Sweden; or (c) has been domiciled earlier in Sweden and, after having moved abroad, continues to have an essential connection with Sweden. Corporations are generally considered to be resident in Sweden for tax purposes only if they are incorporated in Sweden under Swedish corporate law.

Swedish withholding tax is not imposed on payments of any principal amount or any amount that is considered to be interest for Swedish tax purposes to a non-resident holder of Notes.

Holders of Notes who are not tax resident in Sweden and who are not carrying on business operations from a permanent establishment in Sweden to which the Notes are attributable are generally not liable for Swedish capital gains taxation on the disposal of Notes.

However, individuals who are not resident in Sweden for tax purposes may in some cases be liable to capital gains taxation in Sweden upon disposal or redemption of certain financial instruments, depending on the classification of the particular financial instrument for Swedish income tax purposes, if they have been resident or permanently stayed in Sweden at any time during the calendar year of the disposal or redemption or the ten preceding calendar years. When such financial instruments are issued by an entity that is not organised under the laws of Sweden, a further requirement for the tax liability to apply is that the financial

instruments must also have been acquired when the individuals were tax resident in Sweden. Taxation may, however, be limited by an applicable tax treaty.

### Other

Sweden does not levy any net wealth tax and there are no transfer taxes on transfers of financial instruments.

### UNITED KINGDOM TAXATION

The comments below are of a general nature based on United Kingdom law as applied in England and Wales and HM Revenue & Customs published practice (which may not be binding on HM Revenue & Customs). They relate only to United Kingdom withholding tax and are not intended to be exhaustive. They assume that interest on the Notes does not have a UK source, and in particular that neither the Issuers nor the Guarantor are UK resident for UK tax purposes or act through a permanent establishment in the United Kingdom in relation to the Notes or the guarantee thereof by the Guarantor. They also assume that there will be no substitution of the Issuer and do not address the consequences of any such substitution (notwithstanding that such substitution may be permitted by the terms and conditions of the Notes). Any holders of the Notes who are in doubt as to their own tax position should consult their professional advisers.

## Payments in Respect of the Notes

On the basis that interest on the Notes and payments in respect of the Guarantee are not expected to have a United Kingdom source, there should be no United Kingdom withholding tax on such payments.

### UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAXATION

The following section applies to Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer only.

The following is a summary of certain U.S. federal income tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of the Notes. This summary does not address the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of every type of Note which may be issued under the Programme, and the applicable Final Terms may contain additional or modified disclosure concerning the material U.S. federal income tax consequences relevant to such type of Note as appropriate. This summary deals only with initial purchasers of Notes that will hold the Notes as capital assets. The discussion does not cover all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be relevant to, or the actual tax effect that any of the matters described herein will have on, the acquisition, ownership or disposition of Notes by particular investors (including consequences under the alternative minimum tax or the net investment income tax), and does not address state, local, foreign or other tax laws. In particular, this summary does not address tax considerations applicable to investors that own (directly or indirectly) 10 per cent. or more of the voting stock of the Issuer, nor does this summary address tax considerations applicable to investors that own (directly or indirectly) 10 per cent. or more of the voting stock of the Issuer, nor does this summary discuss all of the tax considerations that may be relevant to certain types of investors subject to special treatment under the U.S. federal income tax laws (such as certain financial institutions, insurance companies, individual retirement accounts and other tax-deferred accounts, tax-exempt organisations, dealers in securities or currencies, investors that will hold the Notes as part of straddles, hedging transactions or conversion transactions for U.S. federal income tax purposes, investors that purchase or sell the Notes as part of a wash sale for U.S. federal income tax purposes, persons that have ceased to be U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents of the United States, investors holding the Notes in connection with a trade or business conducted outside of the United States, U.S. expatriates or investors whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar). Moreover, the summary deals only with Notes

with a term of 30 years or less. The U.S. federal income tax consequences of owning Notes with a longer term will be discussed in the applicable Final Terms.

As used herein, the term "U.S. Holder" means a beneficial owner of Notes that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (i) an individual citizen or resident of the United States, (ii) a corporation created or organised under the laws of the United States or any State thereof, (iii) an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income tax without regard to its source or (iv) a trust, if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust, or the trust has validly elected to be treated as a domestic trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

For purposes of this discussion, "Non-U.S. Holder" means any beneficial owner of Notes that is not a U.S. Holder and that for U.S. federal income tax purposes is (i) a foreign corporation, (ii) a non-resident alien individual or (iii) a foreign estate or trust all of whose beneficiaries are Non-U.S. Holders.

The U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner in an entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes that holds Notes will depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Prospective purchasers that are entities treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes should consult their tax adviser concerning the U.S. federal income tax consequences to them and their partners of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of Notes by the partnership.

This summary is based on the tax laws of the United States including the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), its legislative history, existing and proposed regulations thereunder, published rulings and court decisions, as well as on the income tax treaty between the United States and The Netherlands (the "Treaty"), all as of the date hereof and all subject to change at any time, possibly with retroactive effect.

Bearer Notes are not being offered to U.S. Holders. A U.S. Holder who owns a Bearer Note may be subject to limitations under United States income tax laws, including the limitations provided in sections 165(j) and 1287(a) of the Code.

THE SUMMARY OF U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES SET OUT BELOW IS FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY. ALL PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISERS AS TO THE PARTICULAR TAX CONSEQUENCES TO THEM OF OWNING THE NOTES, INCLUDING THEIR ELIGIBILITY FOR THE TREATY THE APPLICABILITY AND EFFECT OF U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, FOREIGN AND OTHER TAX LAWS AND POSSIBLE CHANGES IN TAX LAW.

The following discussion assumes that the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Depending on the restrictions that may apply to payments of interest on and principal of Notes in a particular Series, it is possible that those Notes may be treated as equity or as some other form of instrument such as a forward contract or option. The tax treatment of Notes that have a significant likelihood of being characterised as other than debt will be discussed in the applicable Final Terms. Even if Notes in a Series are treated as debt, features of the Notes, including restrictions on payments may cause the Notes to be treated as Contingent Notes, which are subject to special rules described below under "Contingent Payment Debt Instruments." No rulings will be sought from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") regarding the characterisation of any of the Notes issued hereunder for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Each U.S. Holder should consult its own tax adviser about the proper characterisation of the Notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and the consequences to the holder of acquiring, owning or disposing of the Notes.

### U.S. Holders

### **Payments of Interest**

### General

Interest on a Note, whether payable in U.S. dollars or a currency, composite currency or basket of currencies other than U.S. dollars (a "foreign currency"), other than interest on a "Discount Note" that is not "qualified stated interest" (each as defined below under "Original Issue Discount — General"), will be taxable to a U.S. Holder as ordinary income at the time it is received or accrued, depending on the U.S. Holder's method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes, reduced by the allocable amount of amortizable bond premium, as further described below. Interest paid by the Issuers on the Notes and original issue discount ("OID"), if any, accrued with respect to the Notes (as described below under "Original Issue Discount") generally will constitute income from sources outside the United States if paid on Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer. Prospective purchasers should consult their tax advisers concerning the applicability of the foreign tax credit and source of income rules to income attributable to the Notes.

# **Original Issue Discount**

### General

The following is a summary of the principal U.S. federal income tax consequences of the ownership of Notes issued with OID.

A Note, other than a Note with a term of one year or less (a "Short-Term Note"), will be treated as issued with OID (a "Discount Note") if the excess of the Note's "stated redemption price at maturity" over its issue price is equal to or more than a de minimis amount (0.25 per cent. of the Note's stated redemption price at maturity multiplied by the number of complete years to its maturity). An obligation that provides for the payment of amounts other than qualified stated interest before maturity (an "installment obligation") will be treated as a Discount Note if the excess of the Note's stated redemption price at maturity over its issue price is equal to or greater than 0.25 per cent. of the Note's stated redemption price at maturity multiplied by the weighted average maturity of the Note. A Note's weighted average maturity is the sum of the following amounts determined for each payment on a Note (other than a payment of qualified stated interest): (i) the number of complete years from the issue date until the payment is made multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount of the payment and the denominator of which is the Note's stated redemption price at maturity. Generally, the issue price of a Note will be the first price at which a substantial amount of Notes included in the issue of which the Note is a part is sold to persons other than bond houses, brokers, or similar persons or organisations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents, or wholesalers. The stated redemption price at maturity of a Note is the total of all payments provided by the Note that are not payments of "qualified stated interest". A qualified stated interest payment generally is any one of a series of stated interest payments on a Note that are unconditionally payable at least annually at a single fixed rate (with certain exceptions for lower rates paid during some periods), or a variable rate (in the circumstances described below under "Variable Interest Rate Notes"), applied to the outstanding principal amount of the Note. Solely for the purposes of determining whether a Note has OID, the Issuer will be deemed to exercise any call option that has the effect of decreasing the yield on the Note, and the U.S. Holder will be deemed to exercise any put option that has the effect of increasing the yield on the Note.

If a Note has *de minimis* OID, a U.S. Holder must include the *de minimis* amount in income as stated principal payments are made on the Note, unless the U.S. Holder makes the election described below under "Election to Treat All Interest as Original Issue Discount." A U.S. Holder can determine the includible amount with respect to each such payment by multiplying (i) the total amount of the Note's *de minimis* OID by (ii) a

fraction equal to the amount of the principal payment made divided by the stated principal amount of the Note.

U.S. Holders of Discount Notes must include OID in income calculated on a constant-yield method before the receipt of cash attributable to the income, and generally will have to include in income increasingly greater amounts of OID over the life of the Discount Notes. The amount of OID includible in income by a U.S. Holder of a Discount Note is the sum of the daily portions of OID with respect to the Discount Note for each day during the taxable year or portion of the taxable year on which the U.S. Holder holds the Discount Note ("accrued OID"). The daily portion is determined by allocating to each day in any "accrual period" a pro rata portion of the OID allocable to that accrual period. Accrual periods with respect to a Note may be of any length selected by the U.S. Holder and may vary in length over the term of the Note as long as (i) no accrual period is longer than one year and (ii) each scheduled payment of interest or principal on the Note occurs on either the final or first day of an accrual period. The amount of OID allocable to an accrual period equals the excess of (a) the product of the Discount Note's adjusted issue price at the beginning of the accrual period and the Discount Note's yield to maturity (determined on the basis of compounding at the close of each accrual period and properly adjusted for the length of the accrual period) over (b) the sum of the payments of qualified stated interest on the Note allocable to the accrual period. The "adjusted issue price" of a Discount Note at the beginning of any accrual period is the issue price of the Note increased by (x) the amount of accrued OID for each prior accrual period and decreased by (y) the amount of any payments previously made on the Note that were not qualified stated interest payments.

## **Acquisition Premium**

A U.S. Holder that purchases a Discount Note for an amount less than or equal to the sum of all amounts payable on the Note after the purchase date, other than payments of qualified stated interest, but in excess of its adjusted issue price (any such excess being "acquisition premium") and that does not make the election described below under "Election to Treat All Interest as Original Issue Discount", is permitted to reduce the daily portions of OID by a fraction, the numerator of which is the excess of the U.S. Holder's adjusted basis in the Note immediately after its purchase over the Note's adjusted issue price, and the denominator of which is the excess of the sum of all amounts payable on the Note after the purchase date, other than payments of qualified stated interest, over the Note's adjusted issue price.

## Market Discount

A Note purchased after its original issuance or at original issuance for a price other than the issue price, other than a Short-Term Note, generally will be treated as purchased at a market discount (a "Market Discount Note") if the Note's stated redemption price at maturity or, in the case of a Discount Note, the Note's "revised issue price", exceeds the amount for which the U.S. Holder purchased the Note by at least 0.25 per cent. of the Note's stated redemption price at maturity or revised issue price, respectively, multiplied by the number of complete years to the Note's maturity (or, in the case of a Note that is an installment obligation, the Note's weighted average maturity). If this excess is not sufficient to cause the Note to be a Market Discount Note, then the excess constitutes "de minimis market discount". For this purpose, the "revised issue price" of a Note generally equals its issue price, increased by the amount of any OID that has accrued on the Note and decreased by the amount of any payments previously made on the Note that were not qualified stated interest payments.

Any gain recognised on the sale or retirement of a Market Discount Note (including any payment on a Note that is not qualified stated interest) generally will be treated as ordinary income to the extent of the accrued market discount on the Note. Alternatively, a U.S. Holder of a Market Discount Note may avoid such treatment by electing to include market discount in income currently over the life of the Note. This election applies to all debt instruments with market discount acquired by the electing U.S. Holder on or after the first day of the first taxable year for which the election is made. This election may not be revoked without the

consent of the IRS. A U.S. Holder of a Market Discount Note that does not elect to include market discount in income currently may be required to defer deductions for interest on borrowings incurred to purchase or carry a Market Discount Note. Such interest is deductible when paid or incurred to the extent of income from the Market Discount Note for the year. If the interest expense exceeds such income, such excess is currently deductible only to the extent that such excess exceeds the portion of the market discount allocable to the days during the taxable year on which such Market Discount Note was held by the U.S. Holder.

Market discount will accrue on a straight-line basis unless the U.S. Holder elects to accrue the market discount under a constant-yield method. This election applies only to the Market Discount Note with respect to which it is made and is irrevocable.

## Election to Treat All Interest as Original Issue Discount

A U.S. Holder may elect to include in gross income all interest that accrues on a Note using the constant-yield method described above under "Original Issue Discount – General", with certain modifications. For purposes of this election, interest includes stated interest, OID, *de minimis* OID, market discount, *de minimis* market discount and unstated interest, as adjusted by any amortisable bond premium (described below under "Notes Purchased at a Premium") or acquisition premium. This election generally will apply only to the Note with respect to which it is made and may not be revoked without the consent of the IRS. If the election to apply the constant-yield method to all interest on a Note is made with respect to a Market Discount Note, the electing U.S. Holder will be treated as having made the election discussed above under "Market Discount" to include market discount in income currently over the life of all debt instruments. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisers concerning the propriety and consequences of this election.

### Variable Interest Rate Notes

Notes that provide for interest at variable rates ("Variable Interest Rate Notes") generally will bear interest at a "qualified floating rate" and thus will be treated as "variable rate debt instruments" under Treasury regulations governing accrual of OID. A Variable Interest Rate Note will qualify as a "variable rate debt instrument" if (a) its issue price does not exceed the total noncontingent principal payments due under the Variable Interest Rate Note by more than a specified *de minimis* amount, (b) it provides for stated interest, paid or compounded at least annually, at (i) one or more qualified floating rates, (ii) a single fixed rate and one or more qualified floating rates, (iii) a single objective rate, or (iv) a single fixed rate and a single objective rate that is a qualified inverse floating rate and (c) it does not provide for any principal payments that are contingent (other than as described in (a) above).

A "qualified floating rate" is any variable rate where variations in the value of the rate can reasonably be expected to measure contemporaneous variations in the cost of newly borrowed funds in the currency in which the Variable Interest Rate Note is denominated. The product of a fixed multiple and a qualified floating rate will constitute a qualified floating rate only if the multiple is greater than 0.65 but not more than 1.35. A variable rate equal to the product of a qualified floating rate and a fixed multiple that is greater than 0.65 but not more than 1.35, increased or decreased by a fixed rate, will also constitute a qualified floating rate. In addition, two or more qualified floating rates that can reasonably be expected to have approximately the same values throughout the term of the Variable Interest Rate Note (e.g., two or more qualified floating rates with values within 0.25 per cent. of each other as determined on the Variable Interest Rate Note's issue date) will be treated as a single qualified floating rate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a variable rate that would otherwise constitute a qualified floating rate but which is subject to one or more restrictions such as a maximum numerical limitation (i.e., a cap) or a minimum numerical limitation (i.e., a floor) may, under certain circumstances, fail to be treated as a qualified floating rate.

An "objective rate" is a rate that is not itself a qualified floating rate but which is determined using a single fixed formula and which is based on objective financial or economic information (e.g., one or more

qualified floating rates or the yield of actively traded personal property). A rate will not qualify as an objective rate if it is based on information that is within the control of the Issuer (or a related party) or that is unique to the circumstances of the Issuer (or a related party), such as dividends, profits or the value of the Issuer's stock (although a rate does not fail to be an objective rate merely because it is based on the credit quality of the Issuer). Other variable interest rates may be treated as objective rates if so designated by the IRS in the future. Despite the foregoing, a variable rate of interest on a Variable Interest Rate Note will not constitute an objective rate if it is reasonably expected that the average value of the rate during the first half of the Variable Interest Rate Note's term will be either significantly less than or significantly greater than the average value of the rate during the final half of the Variable Interest Rate Note's term. A "qualified inverse floating rate" is any objective rate where the rate is equal to a fixed rate minus a qualified floating rate, as long as variations in the rate can reasonably be expected to inversely reflect contemporaneous variations in the qualified floating rate. If a Variable Interest Rate Note provides for stated interest at a fixed rate for an initial period of one year or less followed by a variable rate that is either a qualified floating rate or an objective rate for a subsequent period and if the variable rate on the Variable Interest Rate Note's issue date is intended to approximate the fixed rate (e.g., the value of the variable rate on the issue date does not differ from the value of the fixed rate by more than 0.25 per cent.), then the fixed rate and the variable rate together will constitute either a single qualified floating rate or objective rate, as the case may be.

A qualified floating rate or objective rate in effect at any time during the term of the instrument must be set at a "current value" of that rate. A current value of a rate is the value of the rate on any day that is no earlier than 3 months prior to the first day on which that value is in effect and no later than 1 year following that first day.

If a Variable Interest Rate Note that provides for stated interest at either a single qualified floating rate or a single objective rate throughout the term thereof qualifies as a variable rate debt instrument, then any stated interest on the Note which is unconditionally payable in cash or property (other than debt instruments of the Issuer) at least annually will constitute qualified stated interest and will be taxed accordingly. Thus, a Variable Interest Rate Note that provides for stated interest at either a single qualified floating rate or a single objective rate throughout the term thereof and that qualifies as a variable rate debt instrument generally will not be treated as having been issued with OID unless the Variable Interest Rate Note is issued at a "true" discount (i.e., at a price below the Note's stated principal amount) equal to or in excess of a specified *de minimis* amount. OID on a Variable Interest Rate Note arising from "true" discount is allocated to an accrual period using the constant-yield method described above by assuming that the variable rate is a fixed rate equal to (i) in the case of a qualified floating rate or qualified inverse floating rate, the value, as of the issue date, of the qualified floating rate or qualified inverse floating rate, or (ii) in the case of an objective rate (other than a qualified inverse floating rate), a fixed rate that reflects the yield that is reasonably expected for the Variable Interest Rate Note.

In general, any other Variable Interest Rate Note that qualifies as a variable rate debt instrument will be converted into an "equivalent" fixed rate debt instrument for purposes of determining the amount and accrual of OID and qualified stated interest on the Variable Interest Rate Note by substituting any qualified floating rate or qualified inverse floating rate provided for under the terms of the Variable Interest Rate Note with a fixed rate equal to the value of the qualified floating rate or qualified inverse floating rate, as the case may be, as of the Variable Interest Rate Note's issue date. Any objective rate (other than a qualified inverse floating rate) provided for under the terms of the Variable Interest Rate Note is converted into a fixed rate that reflects the yield that is reasonably expected for the Variable Interest Rate Note. In the case of a Variable Interest Rate Note that qualifies as a variable rate debt instrument and provides for stated interest at a fixed rate in addition to either one or more qualified floating rates or a qualified inverse floating rate, the fixed rate is initially converted into a qualified floating rate (or a qualified inverse floating rate, if the Variable Interest Rate Note provides for a qualified inverse floating rate). Under these circumstances, the qualified floating rate or

qualified inverse floating rate that replaces the fixed rate must be such that the fair market value of the Variable Interest Rate Note's issue date is approximately the same as the fair market value of an otherwise identical debt instrument that provides for either the qualified floating rate or qualified inverse floating rate rather than the fixed rate. Subsequent to converting the fixed rate into either a qualified floating rate or a qualified inverse floating rate, the Variable Interest Rate Note is converted into an "equivalent" fixed rate debt instrument in the manner described above.

Once the Variable Interest Rate Note is converted into an equivalent fixed rate debt instrument pursuant to the foregoing rules, the amount of OID and qualified stated interest, if any, are determined for the equivalent fixed rate debt instrument by applying the general OID rules to the equivalent fixed rate debt instrument and a U.S. Holder of the Variable Interest Rate Note will account for the OID and qualified stated interest as if the U.S. Holder held the equivalent fixed rate debt instrument. In each accrual period, appropriate adjustments will be made to the amount of qualified stated interest or OID assumed to have been accrued or paid with respect to the equivalent fixed rate debt instrument in the event that these amounts differ from the actual amount of interest accrued or paid on the Variable Interest Rate Note during the accrual period.

If a Variable Interest Rate Note, such as a Note the payments on which are determined by reference to an index, does not qualify as a variable rate debt instrument, then the Variable Interest Rate Note will be treated as a contingent payment debt obligation. See "Contingent Payment Debt Instruments" below for a discussion of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of such Notes.

### Contingent Payment Debt Instruments

Certain Series or Tranches of Notes may be treated as "contingent payment debt instruments" for U.S. federal income tax purposes ("Contingent Notes"). Under applicable U.S. Treasury regulations, interest on Contingent Notes will be treated as OID, and must be accrued on a constant-yield basis based on a yield to maturity that reflects the rate at which the relevant Issuer would issue a comparable fixed-rate non-exchangeable instrument (the "comparable yield"), in accordance with a projected payment schedule. This projected payment schedule must include each non-contingent payment on the Contingent Notes and an estimated amount for each contingent payment, and must produce the comparable yield.

The relevant Issuer is required to provide to holders, solely for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a schedule of the projected amounts of payments on Contingent Notes. This schedule must produce the comparable yield. The comparable yield and projected payment schedule will be available from the relevant Issuer by submitting a written request for such information to the address provided in the Final Terms.

THE COMPARABLE YIELD AND PROJECTED PAYMENT SCHEDULE WILL NOT BE DETERMINED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN FOR THE DETERMINATION OF INTEREST ACCRUALS AND ADJUSTMENTS THEREOF IN RESPECT OF CONTINGENT NOTES FOR UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES AND WILL NOT CONSTITUTE A PROJECTION OR REPRESENTATION REGARDING THE ACTUAL AMOUNTS PAYABLE TO THE HOLDERS OF THE NOTES.

If a Series or Tranche is subject to the contingent payment debt instrument rules, the Issuer will provide information regarding the comparable yield and the projected payment schedule for the Series or Tranche, as the case may be. The use of the comparable yield and the calculation of the projected payment schedule will be based upon a number of assumptions and estimates and will not be a prediction, representation or guarantee of the actual amounts of interest that may be paid to a U.S. Holder or the actual yield of the Contingent Notes. A U.S. Holder generally will be bound by the comparable yield and the projected payment schedule determined by the Issuer, unless the U.S. Holder determines its own comparable yield and projected payment schedule and explicitly discloses such schedule to the IRS, and explains to the

IRS the reason for preparing its own schedule. The Issuer's determination, however, is not binding on the IRS, and it is possible that the IRS could conclude that some other comparable yield or projected payment schedule should be used instead.

A U.S. Holder of a Contingent Note generally will be required to include OID in income pursuant to the rules discussed in the fourth paragraph under "Original Issue Discount – General", above, applied to the projected payment schedule. The "adjusted issue price" of a Contingent Note at the beginning of any accrual period is the issue price of the Note increased by the amount of accrued OID for each prior accrual period, and decreased by the projected amount of any payments on the Note. No additional income will be recognised upon the receipt of payments of stated interest in amounts equal to the annual payments included in the projected payment schedule described above. Any differences between actual payments received by the U.S. Holder on the Notes in a taxable year and the projected amount of those payments will be accounted for as additional interest (in the case of a positive adjustment) or as an offset to interest income in respect of the Note (in the case of a negative adjustment), for the taxable year in which the actual payment is made. If the negative adjustment for any taxable year exceeds the amount of OID on the Contingent Note for that year, the excess will be treated as an ordinary loss, but only to the extent the U.S. Holder's total OID inclusions on the Contingent Note exceed the total amount of any ordinary loss in respect of the Contingent Note claimed by the U.S. Holder under this rule in prior taxable years. Any negative adjustment that is not allowed as an ordinary loss for the taxable year is carried forward to the next taxable year, and is taken into account in determining whether the U.S. Holder has a net positive or negative adjustment for that year. However, any negative adjustment that is carried forward to a taxable year in which the Contingent Note is sold, exchanged or retired, to the extent not applied to OID accrued for such year, reduces the U.S. Holder's amount realised on the sale, exchange or retirement.

### Short-Term Notes

In general, an individual or other cash basis U.S. Holder of a Short-Term Note is not required to accrue OID (as specially defined below for the purposes of this paragraph) for U.S. federal income tax purposes unless it elects to do so (but may be required to include any stated interest in income as the interest is received). Accrual basis U.S. Holders and certain other U.S. Holders are required to accrue OID on Short-Term Notes on a straight-line basis or, if the U.S. Holder so elects, under the constant-yield method (based on daily compounding). In the case of a U.S. Holder not required and not electing to include OID in income currently, any gain realised on the sale or retirement of the Short-Term Note will be ordinary income to the extent of the OID accrued on a straight-line basis (unless an election is made to accrue the OID under the constant-yield method) through the date of sale or retirement. U.S. Holders who are not required and do not elect to accrue OID on Short-Term Notes will be required to defer deductions for interest on borrowings allocable to Short-Term Notes in an amount not exceeding the deferred income until the deferred income is realised.

For purposes of determining the amount of OID subject to these rules, all interest payments on a Short-Term Note are included in the Short-Term Note's stated redemption price at maturity. A U.S. Holder may elect to determine OID on a Short-Term Note as if the Short-Term Note had been originally issued to the U.S. Holder at the U.S. Holder's purchase price for the Short-Term Note. This election will apply to all obligations with a maturity of one year or less acquired by the U.S. Holder on or after the first day of the first taxable year to which the election applies, and may not be revoked without the consent of the IRS.

# Fungible Issue

The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders of outstanding Notes, issue additional Notes with identical terms. These additional Notes, even if they are treated for non-tax purposes as part of the same series as the original Notes, in some cases may be treated as a separate series for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In such a case, the additional Notes may be considered to have been issued with OID even if the original

Notes had no OID, or the additional Notes may have a greater amount of OID than the original Notes. These differences may affect the market value of the original Notes if the additional Notes are not otherwise distinguishable from the original Notes.

### Notes Purchased at a Premium

A U.S. Holder that purchases a Note for an amount in excess of its principal amount, or for a Discount Note, its stated redemption price at maturity, may elect to treat the excess as "amortisable bond premium", in which case the amount required to be included in the U.S. Holder's income each year with respect to interest on the Note will be reduced by the amount of amortisable bond premium allocable (based on the Note's yield to maturity) to that year. Any election to amortise bond premium shall apply to all bonds (other than bonds the interest on which is excludable from gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes) held by the U.S. Holder at the beginning of the first taxable year to which the election applies or thereafter acquired by the U.S. Holder, and is irrevocable without the consent of the IRS. See also "Original Issue Discount — Election to Treat All Interest as Original Issue Discount".

# Substitution of Issuer

The terms of the Notes provide that, in certain circumstances, the obligations of the Issuer under the Notes may be assumed by another entity. Depending on the circumstances, any such assumption might be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a taxable deemed or actual disposition of Notes by a U.S. Holder in exchange for new notes issued by the new obligor. As a result of this deemed or actual disposition, a U.S. Holder could be required to recognise capital gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes equal to the difference, if any, between the issue price of the new notes (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes), and the U.S. Holder's tax basis in the Notes and could be subject to certain other adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisers concerning the U.S. federal income tax consequences to them of a change in obligor with respect to the Notes.

### Sale or Retirement of Notes

### Notes other than Contingent Notes

A U.S. Holder generally will recognise gain or loss on the sale or retirement of a Note equal to the difference between the amount realised on the sale or retirement and the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis of the Note. A U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in a Note generally will be its cost, increased by the amount of any OID or market discount included in the U.S. Holder's income with respect to the Note and the amount, if any, of income attributable to de minimis OID and de minimis market discount included in the U.S. Holder's income with respect to the Note, and reduced by (i) the amount of any payments that are not qualified stated interest payments, and (ii) the amount of any amortisable bond premium applied to reduce interest on the Note.

The amount realised does not include the amount attributable to accrued but unpaid interest, which will be taxable as interest income to the extent not previously included in income. Except to the extent described above under "Original Issue Discount – Market Discount" or "Original Issue Discount – Short Term Notes" or attributable to changes in exchange rates (as discussed below), gain or loss recognised on the sale or retirement of a Note will be capital gain or loss and will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder's holding period in the Notes exceeds one year. Long-term capital gain of certain non-corporate U.S. Holders generally is taxable at reduced rates. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations. Gain or loss realised by a U.S. Holder on the sale or retirement of a Note generally will be U.S.-source.

## Contingent Notes

Income from the sale or retirement of a Contingent Note will be treated as interest income taxable at ordinary income (rather than capital gains) rates. Any loss will be ordinary loss to the extent that the U.S.

Holder's total interest inclusions to the date of sale or retirement exceed the total net negative adjustments that the U.S. Holder took into account as ordinary loss, and any further loss will be capital loss. Income or ordinary loss realised by a U.S. Holder on the sale or retirement of a Contingent Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer generally will be foreign source.

A U.S. Holder's tax basis in a Contingent Note generally will be equal to its cost, increased by the amount of interest previously accrued with respect to the Note (determined without regard to any positive or negative adjustments reflecting the difference between actual payments and projected payments), increased or decreased by the amount of any positive or negative adjustment that the Holder is required to make to account for the difference between the Holder's purchase price for the Note and the adjusted issue price of the Note at the time of the purchase, and decreased by the amount of any projected payments scheduled to be made on the Note to the U.S. Holder through such date (without regard to the actual amounts paid).

# **Foreign Currency Notes**

### Interest

If an interest payment is denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency, the amount of income recognised by a cash basis U.S. Holder will be the U.S. dollar value of the interest payment, based on the exchange rate in effect on the date of receipt, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into U.S. dollars.

An accrual basis U.S. Holder may determine the amount of income recognised with respect to an interest payment denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency in accordance with either of two methods. Under the first method, the amount of income accrued will be based on the average exchange rate in effect during the interest accrual period (or, in the case of an accrual period that spans two taxable years of a U.S. Holder, the part of the period within the taxable year).

Under the second method, the U.S. Holder may elect to determine the amount of income accrued on the basis of the exchange rate in effect on the last day of the accrual period (or, in the case of an accrual period that spans two taxable years, the exchange rate in effect on the last day of the part of the period within the taxable year). Additionally, if a payment of interest is actually received within five business days of the last day of the accrual period, an electing accrual basis U.S. Holder may instead translate the accrued interest into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate in effect on the day of actual receipt. Any such election will apply to all debt instruments held by the U.S. Holder at the beginning of the first taxable year to which the election applies or thereafter acquired by the U.S. Holder, and will be irrevocable without the consent of the IRS.

Upon receipt of an interest payment (including a payment attributable to accrued but unpaid interest upon the sale or retirement of a Note) denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency, the accrual-basis U.S. Holder may recognise U.S.-source exchange gain or loss (taxable as U.S.-source ordinary income or loss) equal to the difference between the amount received (translated into U.S. dollars at the spot rate on the date of receipt) and the amount previously accrued, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into U.S. dollars.

# OID

OID for each accrual period on a Discount Note that is denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency, will be determined in the foreign currency and then translated into U.S. dollars in the same manner as stated interest accrued by an accrual basis U.S. Holder, as described above. Upon receipt of an amount attributable to OID (whether in connection with a payment on the Note or a sale or retirement of the Note), a U.S. Holder may generally recognise U.S.-source exchange gain or loss (taxable as U.S.-source ordinary income or loss) equal to the difference between the amount received (translated into U.S. dollars at

the spot rate on the date of receipt) and the amount previously accrued, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into U.S. dollars.

### Market Discount

Market Discount on a Note that is denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency, will be accrued in the foreign currency. If the U.S. Holder elects to include market discount in income currently, the accrued market discount will be translated into U.S. dollars at the average exchange rate for the accrual period (or portion thereof within the U.S. Holder's taxable year). Upon the receipt of an amount attributable to accrued market discount, the U.S. Holder may recognise U.S.-source exchange gain or loss (which will be taxable as ordinary income or loss) determined in the same manner as for accrued interest or OID. A U.S. Holder that does not elect to include market discount in income currently will recognise, upon the sale or retirement of the Note, the U.S. dollar value of the amount accrued, calculated at the spot rate on that date, and no part of this accrued market discount will be treated as exchange gain or loss.

### **Bond Premium**

Bond premium (including acquisition premium) on a Note that is denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency, will be computed in units of the foreign currency, and any such bond premium that is taken into account currently will reduce interest income (or OID) in units of the foreign currency. U.S.-source exchange gain or loss is realised with respect to the bond premium described in the previous sentence by treating the portion of the premium taken into account currently as a return of principal. On the date bond premium offsets interest income (or OID), a U.S. Holder may recognise U.S. source exchange gain or loss (taxable as ordinary income or loss) equal to the amount offset multiplied by the difference between the spot rate in effect on the date of the offset, and the spot rate in effect on the date the Notes were acquired by the U.S. Holder. A U.S. Holder that does not elect to take bond premium (other than acquisition premium) into account currently will recognise a U.S.-source capital loss when the Note matures.

### Foreign Currency Contingent Notes

Special rules apply to determine the accrual of OID, and the amount, timing, source and character of any gain or loss on a Contingent Note that is denominated in, or determined by reference to, one or more foreign currencies (a "Foreign Currency Contingent Note"). The rules applicable to Foreign Currency Contingent Notes are complex, and U.S. Holders of Foreign Currency Contingent Notes are urged to consult their tax advisers concerning the application of these rules.

Under these rules, a U.S. Holder of a Foreign Currency Contingent Note generally will be required to accrue OID in the foreign currency in which the Foreign Currency Contingent Note is denominated (i) at a yield at which the Issuer would issue a fixed rate debt instrument denominated in the same foreign currency with terms and conditions similar to those of the Foreign Currency Contingent Note, and (ii) in accordance with a projected payment schedule determined by the Issuer, under rules similar to those described above under "Contingent Payment Debt Instruments". The amount of OID on a Foreign Currency Contingent Note that accrues in any accrual period will be the product of the comparable yield of the Foreign Currency Contingent Note (adjusted to reflect the length of the accrual period) and the adjusted issue price of the Foreign Currency Contingent Note generally will be determined under the rules described above under "Contingent Payment Debt Instruments", and will be denominated in the foreign currency of the Foreign Currency Contingent Note.

OID on a Foreign Currency Contingent Note will be translated into U.S. dollars under translation rules similar to those described above under "Foreign Currency Notes - Interest". Any positive adjustment (i.e. the excess of actual payments over projected payments) in respect of a Foreign Currency Contingent Note for a taxable year will be translated into U.S. dollars at the spot rate on the last day of the taxable year in which the adjustment is taken into account, or if earlier, the date on which the Foreign Currency Contingent Notes is

disposed of. The amount of any negative adjustment on a Foreign Currency Contingent Note (i.e. the excess of projected payments over actual payments) that is offset against accrued but unpaid OID will be translated into U.S. dollars at the same rate at which the OID was accrued. To the extent a net negative adjustment exceeds the amount of accrued but unpaid OID, the negative adjustment will be treated as offsetting OID that has accrued and been paid on the Foreign Currency Contingent Note, and will be translated into U.S. dollars at the spot rate on the date the Foreign Currency Contingent Note was issued or, if later, acquired. Any net negative adjustment will be carried back to the extent of accruals in the relevant foreign currency in earlier years and, to the extent of any excess, will be carried forward to reduce interest accruals in subsequent years in the relevant foreign currency.

### Sale or Retirement

## Notes other than Foreign Currency Contingent Notes

As discussed above under "Sale or Retirement of Notes", a U.S. Holder generally will recognise gain or loss on the sale or retirement of a Note equal to the difference between the amount realised on the sale or retirement and its tax basis in the Note. A U.S. Holder's tax basis in a Note that is denominated in a foreign currency will be determined by reference to the U.S. dollar cost of the Note. The U.S. dollar cost of a Note purchased with foreign currency generally will be the U.S. dollar value of the purchase price on the date of purchase or, the settlement date for the purchase, in the case of Notes traded on an established securities market, as defined in the applicable Treasury Regulations, that are purchased by a cash basis U.S. Holder (or an accrual basis U.S. Holder that so elects).

The amount realised on a sale or retirement for an amount in foreign currency will be the U.S. dollar value of this amount on the date of sale or retirement, or the settlement date for the sale in the case of Notes traded on an established securities market, as defined in the applicable Treasury Regulations, sold by a cash basis U.S. Holder (or an accrual basis U.S. Holder that so elects). Such an election by an accrual basis U.S. Holder must be applied consistently from year to year and cannot be revoked without the consent of the IRS.

A U.S. Holder will recognise U.S.-source exchange gain or loss (taxable as ordinary income or loss) on the sale or retirement of a Note equal to the difference, if any, between the U.S. dollar values of the U.S. Holder's purchase price for the Note (as adjusted for amortised bond premium, if any) (i) on the date of sale or retirement and (ii) the date on which the U.S. Holder acquired the Note. Any such exchange rate gain or loss will be realised only to the extent of total gain or loss realised on the sale or retirement (including any exchange gain or loss with respect to the receipt of accrued but unpaid interest).

# Foreign Currency Contingent Notes

Upon a sale or retirement of a Foreign Currency Contingent Note, a U.S. Holder generally will recognise taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realised on the sale or retirement and the U.S. Holder's tax basis in the Foreign Currency Contingent Note, both translated into U.S. dollars as described below. A U.S. Holder's tax basis in a Foreign Currency Contingent Note will equal (i) the cost thereof (translated into U.S. dollars at the spot rate on the issue date), (ii) increased by the amount of OID previously accrued on the Foreign Currency Contingent Note (disregarding any positive or negative adjustments and translated into U.S. dollars using the exchange rate applicable to such OID) and (iii) decreased by any non-contingent payments and the projected amount of all prior payments in respect of the Foreign Currency Contingent Note. The U.S. dollar amount of the projected payments described in clause (iii) of the preceding sentence is determined by (i) first allocating the payments to the most recently accrued OID to which prior amounts have not already been allocated and translating those amounts into U.S. dollars at the rate at which the OID was accrued and (ii) then allocating any remaining amount to principal and translating such amount into U.S. dollars at the spot rate on the date the Foreign Currency Contingent Note was acquired by the U.S. Holder. For this purpose, any accrued OID reduced by a negative adjustment carry forward will be

treated as principal and translated at the spot rate on the date the Foreign Currency Contingent Note was acquired by the U.S. Holder.

The amount realised by a U.S. Holder upon the sale or retirement of a Foreign Currency Contingent Note will equal the amount of cash and the fair market value (determined in foreign currency) of any property received. If a U.S. Holder holds a Foreign Currency Contingent Note until its scheduled maturity, the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amount realised will be determined by separating such amount realised into principal and one or more OID components, based on the principal and OID composing the U.S. Holder's basis, with the amount realised allocated first to OID (and allocated to the most recently accrued amounts first) and any remaining amounts allocated to principal. The U.S. dollar equivalent of the amount realised upon a sale or unscheduled retirement of a Foreign Currency Contingent Note will be determined in a similar manner, but will first be allocated to principal and then any accrued OID (and will be allocated to the earliest accrued amounts first). Each component of the amount realised will be translated into U.S. dollars using the exchange rate used with respect to the corresponding principal or accrued OID. The amount of any gain realised upon a sale or unscheduled retirement of a Foreign Currency Contingent Note will be equal to the excess of the amount realised over the U.S. Holder's tax basis, both expressed in foreign currency, and will be translated into U.S. dollars using the spot rate on the payment date. Income from the sale or retirement of a Foreign Currency Contingent Note generally will be treated as interest income taxable at ordinary income (rather than capital gains) rates. Any loss will be ordinary loss to the extent that the U.S. Holder's total OID inclusions to the date of sale or retirement exceed the total net negative adjustments that the U.S. Holder took into account as ordinary loss, and any further loss will be capital loss. Gain or loss realised by a U.S. Holder on the sale or retirement of a Foreign Currency Contingent Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer generally will be foreign-source. Prospective purchasers should consult their tax advisers as to the foreign tax credit implications of the sale or retirement of Foreign Currency Contingent Notes.

A U.S. Holder will also recognise U.S.-source exchange rate gain or loss (taxable as ordinary income or loss) on the receipt of foreign currency in respect of a Foreign Currency Contingent Note if the exchange rate in effect on the date the payment is received differs from the rate applicable to the principal or accrued OID to which such payment relates.

### Disposition of Foreign Currency

Foreign currency received as interest on a Note or on the sale or retirement of a Note will have a tax basis equal to its U.S. dollar value at the time the foreign currency is received. Foreign currency that is purchased generally will have a tax basis equal to the U.S. dollar value of the foreign currency on the date of purchase. Any gain or loss recognised on a sale or other disposition of a foreign currency (including its use to purchase Notes or upon exchange for U.S. dollars) will be U.S.-source ordinary income or loss.

# **Backup Withholding and Information Reporting**

In general, payments of interest and accruals of OID on, and the proceeds of a sale or retirement of, the Notes, payable to a U.S. Holder by a U.S. paying agent or other U.S. intermediary will be reported to the IRS and to the U.S. Holder as may be required under applicable regulations. Backup withholding will apply to these payments, including payments of accrued OID, if the U.S. Holder fails to provide an accurate taxpayer identification number or certification of exempt status or otherwise fails to comply with applicable certification requirements. In addition, certain foreign brokers may be required to report the amount of gross proceeds from the sale or other disposition of Notes under FATCA if a holder is, or is presumed to be, a U.S. person. Certain U.S. Holders (including, among others, corporations) are not subject to backup withholding or information reporting. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisers as to their qualification for exemption and the procedure for obtaining an exemption.

## Foreign Financial Asset Reporting

U.S. taxpayers that own certain foreign financial assets, including debt of non-U.S. entities, with an aggregate value in excess of \$50,000 at the end of the taxable year or \$75,000 at any time during the taxable year (or, for certain individuals living outside the United States and married individuals filing joint returns, certain higher thresholds) may be required to file an information report with respect to such assets with their tax returns. The Notes themselves (or the accounts through which they are held) may constitute foreign financial assets subject to these requirements (unless the Notes are held through accounts at a U.S. financial institution). U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the application of the rules relating to foreign financial asset reporting.

# **Reportable Transactions**

A U.S. taxpayer that participates in a "reportable transaction" is required to disclose its participation to the IRS. Under the relevant rules, if the Notes are denominated in a foreign currency, a U.S. Holder may be required to treat a foreign currency exchange loss from the Notes as a reportable transaction if this loss exceeds the relevant threshold in the Treasury regulations (U.S.\$50,000 in a single taxable year, if the U.S. Holder is an individual or trust, or higher amounts for other non-individual U.S. Holders, and to disclose its investment by filing IRS Form 8886 with the IRS. A penalty in the amount of up to a maximum of U.S.\$10,000 in the case of a natural person and U.S.\$50,000 in all other cases generally is imposed on any taxpayer that fails to timely file an information return with the IRS with respect to a transaction resulting in a loss that is treated as a reportable transaction. Prospective purchasers are urged to consult their tax advisers regarding the application of these rules.

### Non-U.S. Holders

### Global Issuer and Americas Issuer

Subject to the discussions of backup withholding, FATCA and dividend equivalent payments above, interest (including OID, if any) and any proceeds of a sale or other disposition on the Notes, are currently exempt from U.S. federal income tax, including withholding taxes, if paid to a Non-U.S. Holder unless the interest is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the United States or is received by a corporation the principal business of which is trading in stock or securities for its own account, and certain other conditions exist.

In addition, (i) subject to the discussion of backup withholding below, a Non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on any gain realised on the sale or exchange of a Note, provided that such gain is not effectively connected with the conduct by the holder of a United States trade or business and, in the case of a Non-U.S. Holder who is an individual, the holder is not present in the United States for a total of 183 days or more during the taxable year in which the gain is realised and certain other conditions are met and (ii) the Notes will be deemed to be situated outside the United States for purposes of the U.S. federal estate tax and will not be includible in the gross estate for purposes of such tax in the case of a nonresident of the United States who is not a citizen of the United States at the time of death.

# Backup Withholding and Information Reporting

Payments of principal, interest and accrued OID on, and the proceeds of sale or other disposition (including exchange) of Notes, by a U.S. paying agent or other U.S. intermediary to a holder of a Note that is a Non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to backup withholding tax and information reporting requirements if appropriate certification (Form W-8BEN or other appropriate form) is provided by the holder to the payor and the payor does not have actual knowledge that the certificate is false.

# Withholding on Dividend Equivalent Payments

Payments on any Note that are, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly contingent upon, or determined by reference to, the payment of a dividend from a U.S. entity (a "Dividend Equivalent Payment") may become subject to a 30 per cent. U.S. withholding tax when made to Non-U.S. Holders. The imposition of this U.S. withholding tax will reduce the amounts received by Non-U.S. Holders. If a Non-U.S. Holder becomes subject to this withholding tax, the non-U.S. person may be able to claim any exemptions under its applicable double tax treaty. The application and interpretation of the rules governing U.S. withholding tax on Dividend Equivalent Payments is subject to change.

### FOREIGN ACCOUNT TAX COMPLIANCE WITHHOLDING

Pursuant to certain provisions of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, commonly known as FATCA, a "foreign financial institution" may be required to withhold on certain payments it makes ("foreign passthru payments") to persons that fail to meet certain certification, reporting, or related requirements. Each of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer has registered with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service as a reporting foreign financial institution for these purposes.

A number of jurisdictions (including The Netherlands and Australia) have entered into, or have agreed in substance to, intergovernmental agreements with the United States to implement FATCA ("IGAs"), which modify the way in which FATCA applies in their jurisdictions. Under the provisions of IGAs as currently in effect, a foreign financial institution in an IGA jurisdiction would generally not be required to withhold under FATCA or an IGA from payments that it makes. Certain aspects of the application of the FATCA provisions and IGAs to instruments such as the Notes, including whether withholding would ever be required pursuant to FATCA or an IGA with respect to payments on instruments such as the Notes, are uncertain and may be subject to change.

Even if withholding would be required pursuant to FATCA or an IGA with respect to payments on instruments such as the Notes, such withholding would not apply prior to 1 January 2019 and Notes issued on or prior to the date that is six months after the date on which final regulations defining "foreign passthru payments" are filed with the U.S. Federal Register generally would be "grandfathered" for purposes of FATCA withholding unless materially modified after such date (including by reason of a substitution of the Issuer) and/or characterised as equity for U.S. tax purposes. However, if additional notes (as described under "General Terms and Conditions of the Notes — Further Issues") that are not distinguishable from previously issued Notes are issued after the expiration of the grandfathering period and are subject to withholding under FATCA, then withholding agents may treat all such Notes, including those Notes offered prior to the expiration of the grandfathering period, as subject to withholding under FATCA. Noteholders should consult their own tax advisors regarding how these rules may apply to their investment in the Notes. In the event any withholding would be required pursuant to FATCA or an IGA with respect to payments on the Notes, no person will be required to pay additional amounts as a result of the withholding.

## **AUSTRALIAN TAXATION**

The following section applies to issues of Notes by the Australian Issuer only.

The following is a summary of the Australian taxation treatment under the Income Tax Assessment Acts of 1936 and 1997 of Australia (together, the "Australian Tax Act") at 27 June 2016 of payments of interest (as defined in the Australian Tax Act) on the Notes issued by the Australian Issuer and certain other matters. It is not exhaustive and, in particular, does not deal with the position of certain classes of holders of Notes (including, without limitation, dealers in securities, custodians or other third parties who hold Notes on behalf of other persons).

Prospective holders of Notes should also be aware that particular terms of issue of any Series of Notes may affect the tax treatment of that and other Series of Notes. The following is a general guide and should be treated with appropriate caution. Prospective holders of Notes should consult and rely on the advice of their professional advisers on the tax implications of an investment in the Notes for their particular circumstances.

# **Interest Withholding Tax**

Australian interest withholding tax ("Australian IWT") is generally payable at a rate of 10% of the gross amount of interest paid to the non-resident of Australia (other than a non-resident who derives the interest income in carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia) or a resident of Australia who derives the interest income in carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment outside Australia unless an exemption is available.

An exemption from Australian IWT is available in respect of the Notes under section 128F of the Australian Tax Act if the following conditions are met:

- (a) the Notes are debentures or debt interests;
- (b) the Australian Issuer is either:
  - (i) a resident of Australia when it issues such Notes and when interest (as defined in section 128A(1AB) of the Australian Tax Act) is paid; or
  - (ii) a non-resident when it issues such Notes and when interest (as defined in section 128A(1AB) of the Australian Tax Act) is paid and the issue of the Notes and the payment of the interest is in carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia.

Interest is defined to include amounts in the nature of, or in substitution for, interest and certain other amounts;

- (c) those Notes are issued in a manner which satisfies the public offer test. There are five principal methods of satisfying the public offer test, the purpose of which is to ensure that lenders in capital markets are aware that the Australian Issuer is offering Notes for issue. In summary, the five methods are:
  - (i) offers to 10 or more unrelated financiers or securities dealers;
  - (ii) offers to 100 or more investors;
  - (iii) offers of Notes listed on a stock exchange;
  - (iv) offers via publicly available information sources used by financial markets for dealing in debentures or debt interests; and
  - (v) offers to a dealer, manager or underwriter who agrees to offer the Notes within 30 days by one of the preceding methods.

The issue of any of those Notes (whether in global form or otherwise) and the offering of interests in any of those Notes by any one of these methods should satisfy the public offer test;

(d) the Australian Issuer does not know, or have reasonable grounds to suspect, at the time of issue, that those Notes or interests in those Notes were being, or would later be, acquired, directly or indirectly, by an "associate" of the Australian Issuer, except as permitted by section 128F(5) of the Australian Tax Act; and (e) at the time of the payment of interest, the Australian Issuer does not know, or have reasonable grounds to suspect, that the payee is an "associate" of the Australian Issuer, except as permitted by Section 128F(6) of the Australian Tax Act.

The Australian Issuer proposes (unless otherwise specified) to issue Notes in a manner which will satisfy the public offer test and which otherwise meets the requirements of section 128F of the Australian Tax Act.

#### Associates

An "associate" of the Australian Issuer for the purposes of section 128F of the Australian Tax Act includes (i) a person or entity which holds more than 50% of the voting shares in, or otherwise sufficiently influences, the Australian Issuer, (ii) any entity in which more than 50% of the voting interests are held by, or which is otherwise sufficiently influenced by, the Australian Issuer, (iii) a trustee of a trust where the Australian Issuer is capable of benefiting (whether directly or indirectly) under that trust, and (iv) a person or entity who is an "associate" of another person or entity which is an "associate" of the Australian Issuer under any of the foregoing.

However, for the purposes of section 128F the following "associates" are permitted to acquire the Notes and receive payments of interest:

- (A) onshore associates (i.e. Australian resident associates who do not hold the Notes in the course of carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment outside Australia and non-resident associates who hold the Notes in the course of carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia); or
- (B) offshore associates (i.e. Australian resident associates who hold the Notes in the course of carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment outside Australia and non-resident associates who do not hold the Notes in the course of carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia) who are acting in the capacity of:
  - in the case of section 128F(5), a dealer, manager or underwriter in relation to the placement of the relevant Notes or a clearing house, custodian, funds manager or responsible entity of a registered managed investment scheme (within the meaning of the Australian Corporations Act); or
  - (ii) in the case of section 128F(6), a clearing house, paying agent, custodian, funds manager or responsible entity of a registered managed investment scheme (within the meaning of the Australian Corporations Act).

### Other exemptions

In the event that the section 128F exemption does not apply to a payment of interest in respect of the Notes, a payment to a person outside Australia may nonetheless be exempt from Australian IWT if:

- (i) the holder is a pension or superannuation fund for non-residents that is exempt from income tax in its country of residence;
- (ii) the holder is entitled to the benefit of the sovereign immunity doctrine; or
- (iii) the holder is a resident of a country with which Australian has concluded a double tax treaty and is entitled to the benefits of an exemption under that treaty (discussed below).

# Exemptions under recent tax treaties

The Australian government has signed or announced new or amended double tax conventions ("New Treaties") with a number of countries (each a "Specified Country") which contain certain exemptions from Australian IWT.

In broad terms, once implemented, the New Treaties effectively prevent Australian IWT applying to interest derived by:

- the government of the relevant Specified Country and certain governmental authorities and agencies in the Specified Country; and
- a "financial institution" which is a resident of a "Specified Country" (and in some cases meets certain additional criteria) and which is unrelated to and dealing wholly independently with the Australian Issuer. The term "financial institution" refers to either a bank or any other form of enterprise which substantially derives its profits by carrying on a business of raising and providing finance. However, interest under a back-to-back loan or an economically equivalent arrangement will not qualify for this exemption

The Australian Federal Treasury maintains a listing of Australia's double tax conventions which provides details of country, status, withholding tax rate limits and Australian domestic implementation which is available to the public at the Federal Treasury Department's website at: http://www.treasury.gov.au/Policy-Topics/Taxation/Tax-Treaties/HTML/Income-Tax-Treaties.

# Bearer Debt Instruments - section 126 of the Australian Tax Act

Section 126 of the Australian Tax Act imposes a type of withholding tax at the rate of 47% on the payment of interest on bearer Notes if the Australian Issuer fails to disclose the names and addresses of the holders of bearer Notes to the Australian Taxation Office ("ATO"). The applicable rate of tax is scheduled to decrease to 45% on 1 July 2017.

Section 126 does not apply to the payment of interest on bearer Notes held by non-residents who do not carry on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia where the issue of those bearer Notes has satisfied the requirements of section 128F of the Australian Tax Act or Australian IWT is payable. In addition, the ATO has confirmed that for the purpose of section 126 of the Australian Tax Act, the holder of debentures (such as bearer Notes) means the person in possession of the debentures. Section 126 is therefore limited in its application to persons in possession of the bearer Notes who are residents of Australia or non-residents who are engaged in carrying on business in Australia at or through a permanent establishment in Australia. Where interests in the relevant bearer Notes are held through Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, the Australian Issuer intends to treat the operators of those clearing systems as the holder for the purposes of section 126 of the Australian Tax Act.

## No Tax Gross-Up

The Australian Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty, withholding or other payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer, presentation or surrender for payment or enforcement of any Note and all payments made by the Australian Issuer shall be made subject to any such tax, duty, withholding or other payment which may be required to be made, paid, withheld or deducted.

### Other Australian tax matters

Under Australian laws as presently in effect:

(a) debt/equity rules – Division 974 of the Australian Tax Act contains tests for characterising financing arrangements as either "debt interests" (for all entities) or "equity interests" (for companies) for Australian tax purposes. This characterisation applies for a number of purposes including for the

purposes of interest and dividend withholding tax. The Australian Issuer proposes to issue Notes which are to be characterised as "debt interests" for the purposes of the tests contained in Division 974 of the Australian Tax Act and the returns paid on the Notes are to be "interest" for the purpose of section 128F of the Australian Tax Act; and

- (b) income tax offshore holders of Notes assuming the requirements of section 128F of the Australian Tax Act are satisfied with respect to the Notes, payment of principal and interest (as defined in section 128A(1AB) of the Australian Tax Act) to a holder of the Notes, who is a non-resident of Australia and who, during the taxable year, does not hold the Notes in the course of carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia, will not generally be subject to Australian income taxes; and
- (c) income tax Australian holders of Notes Australian residents or non-residents who hold the Notes in the course of carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia ("Australian Holders"), will be assessable for Australian tax purposes on income either received or accrued due to them in respect of the Notes. Whether income will be recognised on a cash receipts or accruals basis will depend upon the tax status of the particular holder of Notes and the terms and conditions of the Notes. Special rules apply to the taxation of Australian residents who hold the Notes in the course of carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment outside Australia which vary depending on the country in which that permanent establishment is located; and
- (d) gains on disposal or redemption of Notes offshore holders of Notes a holder of the Notes, who is a non-resident of Australia and who during the taxable year does not hold the Notes in the course of carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia, will not be subject to Australian income tax on gains realised during that year on sale or redemption of the Notes, provided such gains do not have an Australian source. A gain arising on the sale of Notes by a non-Australian resident holder to another non-Australian resident where the Notes are sold outside Australia and all negotiations are conducted, and documentation executed, outside Australia should not generally be regarded as having an Australian source; and

If the gain arising on the sale of Notes has an Australian source, a holder may be eligible for relief from Australian tax on such gain under a double tax treaty between Australia and the holder's country of residence. If protection from Australian tax is not available under a tax treaty, it would be necessary to take into account exchange rate movements during the period that the Notes were held in calculating the amount of the gain; and

- (e) gains on disposal or redemption of Notes Australian holders of Notes Australian holders of Notes will be required to include any gain or loss on disposal or redemption of the Notes in their taxable income. Special rules apply to the taxation of Australian residents who hold the Notes in the course of carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment outside Australia which vary depending on the country in which that permanent establishment is located; and
- (f) deemed interest there are specific rules that can apply to treat a portion of the purchase price of Notes as interest for withholding tax purposes when certain Notes originally issued at a discount or with a maturity premium or which do not pay interest at least annually are sold to an Australian resident (who does not acquire them in the course of carrying on trade or business at or through a permanent establishment outside Australia) or a non-resident who acquires them in the course of carrying on trade or business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia.

If the Notes are not issued at a discount and do not have a maturity premium, these rules should not apply to the Notes. These rules do not apply in circumstances where the deemed interest would have

been exempt under section 128F of the Australian Tax Act if the Notes had been held to maturity by a non-resident; and

- (g) *death duties* no Notes will be subject to death, estate or succession duties imposed by Australia, or by any political subdivision or authority therein having power to tax, if held at the time of death; and
- (h) *stamp duty and other taxes* no ad valorem stamp, issue, registration or similar taxes are payable in Australia on the issue or transfer of any Notes; and
- (i) TFN withholding taxes on payments in respect of the Notes section 12-140 of Schedule 1 to the Taxation Administration Act 1953 of Australia ("TAA") imposes a type of withholding tax at a rate of up to 49% on the payment of interest on certain registered securities unless the relevant payee has quoted a Tax File Number ("TFN"), in certain circumstances an Australian Business Number ("ABN") or proof of some other exemption (as appropriate). The maximum rate is scheduled to decrease to 47% on 1 July 2017.

Assuming the requirements of section 128F of the Australian Tax Act are satisfied with respect to the Notes, then the requirements of section 12-140 do not apply to payments to a holder of those Notes who is not a resident of Australia and not holding those Notes in the course of carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia. Payments to other classes of holders of the Notes may be subject to a withholding where the holder of those Notes does not quote a TFN, ABN or provide proof of an appropriate exemption (as appropriate); and

- (j) supply withholding tax payments in respect of Notes can be made free and clear of the "supply withholding tax" imposed under section 12-190 of Schedule 1 to the TAA; and
- (k) goods and services tax (GST) neither the issue nor receipt of the Notes will give rise to a liability for GST in Australia on the basis that the supply of Notes will comprise either an input taxed financial supply or (in the case of an offshore subscriber) a GST-free supply. Furthermore, neither the payment of principal or interest by the Australian Issuer, nor the disposal or redemption of the Notes, would give rise to any GST liability in Australia; and
- (l) Taxation of financial arrangements (TOFA) and accruals regime for Noteholders who are subject to Australian income tax on interest or gains realised on sale or redemption of the Notes, Division 230 of the Australian Tax Act contains provisions relating to the tax-timing and character treatment of gains and losses in relation to "financial arrangements". The manner and timing of inclusion of amounts in assessable income will depend upon the specific tax rules applying to the Noteholder, including whether and how the TOFA rules in Division 230 of the Australian Tax Act apply to the Noteholder. In addition, Australia operates an accruals regime which may apply to Noteholders (who are subject to Australian income tax) of certain Notes issued at a discount and the term of which, ascertained as at the time of issue will, or is reasonably likely to, exceed one year. If such Notes are issued, further information on Australia's accruals regime will be specified in the applicable Final Terms (or another relevant supplement to this Base Prospectus); and
- (m) additional withholdings from certain payments to non-residents section 12-315 of Schedule 1 to the TAA gives the Governor-General power to make regulations requiring withholding from certain payments to non-residents. However, section 12-315 expressly provides that the regulations will not apply to interest and other payments which are already subject to the current Australian IWT rules or specifically exempt from those rules. Further, regulations may only be made if the responsible minister is satisfied the specified payments are of a kind that could reasonably relate to assessable income of foreign residents. The regulations promulgated prior to the date of this Base Prospectus are not relevant to any payments in respect of the Notes. Any further regulations should also not apply to

- repayments of principal under the Notes, as in the absence of any issue discount, such amounts will generally not be reasonably related to assessable income. The possible application of any regulations to the proceeds of any sale of the Notes will need to be monitored; and
- (n) taxation of foreign exchange gains and losses Divisions 775 and 960 of the Australian Tax Act contain rules to deal with the taxation consequences of foreign exchange transactions that are not subject to Division 230. Where a foreign exchange transaction is subject to Division 230, that division and Division 960 will take precedence over Division 775. The rules are complex and may apply to any holders of Notes that are not denominated in Australian dollars who are subject to Australian income tax on interest or gains realised on sale or redemption of the Notes. Any such holders of Notes should consult their professional advisors for advice as to how to account for any foreign exchange gains or losses arising from their holding of those Notes; and
- (o) garnishee notices the Australian Taxation Office has the power to issue notices requiring any person who owes, or who may later owe, money to a taxpayer who has a tax-related liability, to pay to the Australian Taxation Office the money owed to the taxpayer. If the Australian Issuer is served with such a notice in respect of a Noteholder, then the Australian Issuer will comply with that notice.

### ERISA AND CERTAIN OTHER U.S. CONSIDERATIONS

The U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA), imposes certain requirements on "employee benefit plans" (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to ERISA, including entities such as collective investment funds and separate accounts whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans (collectively, "ERISA Plans") and on those persons who are fiduciaries with respect to ERISA Plans.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to ERISA but which are subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as individual retirement accounts (together with ERISA Plans, "Plans")) and certain persons (referred to as "parties in interest" or "disqualified persons") having certain relationships to such Plans, unless a statutory or administrative exemption is applicable to the transaction. Prohibited transactions within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if any Notes are acquired by a Plan with respect to which the Issuers, the Arranger or the Dealers or any of their respective affiliates are a party in interest or a disqualified person. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code may be applicable, however, depending in part on the type of Plan fiduciary making the decision to acquire Notes and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA and Section 4975(d)(20) of the Code (relating to certain transactions between a plan and a non-fiduciary service provider), Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("PTCE") 95-60 (relating to investments by insurance company general accounts), PTCE 91-38 (relating to investments by bank collective investment funds), PTCE 84-14 (relating to transactions effected by a "qualified professional asset manager"), PTCE 90-1 (relating to investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts) and PTCE 96-23 (relating to transactions determined by an in-house asset manager). There can be no assurance that any exception or exemption from the prohibited transaction rules will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Notes, or that, if an exemption is available, it will cover all aspects of any particular transaction. Governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA), certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), non-U.S. plans (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA) and other employee benefit plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject to other federal, state, local or non-U.S. laws that are substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code ("Similar Law"). Fiduciaries of any such plans should consult with their counsel before purchasing any Notes.

Unless otherwise stated in the Final Terms, each purchaser and transferee of any Registered Notes issued pursuant to Rule 144A will be deemed to have represented and agreed either that (i) it is not and for so long as it holds a Note (or any interest therein) will not be an ERISA Plan or other Plan (including an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any such ERISA Plan or other Plan) or a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other employee benefit plan which is subject to Similar Law, or (ii) its acquisition, holding and disposition of the Notes will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of such a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other employee benefit plan, Similar Law for which an exemption is not available.

Each purchaser and transferee of Notes other than Registered Notes issued pursuant to Rule 144A will be deemed to have represented and agreed either that (i) it is not and for so long as it holds a Note (or any interest therein) will not be an ERISA Plan or other Plan (including an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any such ERISA Plan or other Plan) or a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other employee benefit plan which is subject to Similar Law, or (ii) it is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other employee

benefit plan which is subject to Similar Law, and its acquisition, holding and disposition of the Notes will not result in a prohibited transaction under such Similar Law for which an exemption is not available.

The foregoing discussion is general in nature and not intended to be all-inclusive. Any Plan fiduciary who proposes to cause a Plan to purchase any Notes should consult with its counsel regarding the applicability of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code to such an investment, and to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA.

The sale of Notes to a Plan is in no respect a representation by the Issuers, the Arranger or the Dealers that such an investment meets all relevant requirements with respect to investments by Plans generally or any particular Plan, or that such an investment is appropriate for Plans generally or any particular Plan.

### SUBSCRIPTION AND SALE

On 13 September 2005, ING Bank N.V. and ING Financial Markets LLC signed a Programme Agreement (as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, the "Global Programme Agreement"), and ING Financial Markets LLC was appointed as a Dealer in respect of Note issues by the Global Issuer under the Programme. ING Belgium SA/NV acceded to the Programme Agreement as a Dealer on 8 December 2005.

As of 29 June 2007, the Americas Issuer, ING Bank N.V. and ING Belgium SA/NV signed a Programme Agreement (as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, the "Americas Programme Agreement") and ING Bank N.V. and ING Belgium SA/NV were appointed as Dealers in respect of Note issues by the Americas Issuer under the Programme. ING Financial Markets LLC acceded to the Americas Programme Agreement as a Dealer on 30 March 2012.

As of 15 September 2008, the Australian Issuer, ING Bank N.V. and ING Belgium SA/NV signed a Programme Agreement (as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, the "Sydney Branch Programme Agreement") and ING Bank N.V. and ING Belgium SA/NV were appointed as Dealers in respect of Note issues by the Australian Issuer under the Programme.

One or more other Dealers may be appointed under the Programme in respect of issues of Notes by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer in the future. The Issuers may also issue Notes directly to purchasers thereof.

The Global Issuer has prepared the Global Programme Agreement to which any Dealer to be appointed in connection with issues of Notes by the Global Issuer under the Programme will be required to accede, and pursuant to which any such Dealer may from time to time agree to purchase Notes issued by the Global Issuer. In the Global Programme Agreement, the Global Issuer has agreed to reimburse the relevant Dealers for certain of their expenses in connection with the Programme and the issue of Notes by the Global Issuer under it.

The Australian Issuer has prepared the Sydney Branch Programme Agreement to which any Dealer to be appointed in connection with issues of Notes by the Australian Issuer under the Programme will be required to accede, and pursuant to which any such Dealer may from time to time agree to purchase Notes issued by the Australian Issuer. In the Sydney Branch Programme Agreement, the Australian Issuer has agreed to reimburse the relevant Dealers for certain of their expenses in connection with the Programme and the issue of Notes by the Australian Issuer under it.

The Americas Issuer has prepared the Americas Programme Agreement to which any Dealer to be appointed in connection with issues of Notes by the Americas Issuer under the Programme will be required to accede, and pursuant to which any such Dealer may from time to time agree to purchase Notes issued by the Americas Issuer. In the Americas Programme Agreement, the Americas Issuer has agreed to reimburse the relevant Dealers for certain of their expenses in connection with the Programme and the issue of Notes by the Americas Issuer under it.

## **United States**

### The Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer

The Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer and the guarantee of the Guaranteed Americas Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except in certain transactions

exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings assigned to them by Regulation S under the Securities Act.

Each Dealer will be required to represent and agree, save as described below in respect of Registered Notes issued in the United States, that it will not offer, sell or, in the case of Notes in bearer form, deliver Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer of any Series (i) as part of its distribution at any time or (ii) otherwise until 40 days after the completion of the distribution of an identifiable tranche of which Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) are a part, as determined by the relevant Dealer or, in the case of an identifiable tranche of Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) sold on a syndicated basis, the relevant lead manager, within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons. Each Dealer will be required to further agree that it will have sent to each dealer to which it sells Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer during the distribution compliance period (other than resales pursuant to Rule 144A) a confirmation or other notice setting forth the restrictions on offers and sales of the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons. Any offer or sale in the United States will be made by Dealers or affiliates of the Dealers who are broker-dealers registered under the Exchange Act. Until 40 days after the completion of the offering of any identifiable tranche of Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), an offer or sale of Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) within the United States by any dealer, whether or not participating in the offering, may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act if such offer or sale is made otherwise than in accordance with Rule 144A. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S of the Securities Act.

#### **Notes in bearer form**

Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer in bearer form are subject to U.S. tax law requirements and may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or its possessions or to a United States person, except in certain transactions permitted by U.S. tax regulations. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and regulations thereunder.

## **Registered Notes**

Offers, sales, resales and other transfers of Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer in the United States (including offers, resales or other transfers made or approved by a Dealer in connection with secondary trading) shall be effected pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

Offers, sales, resales and other transfers of Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer in the United States will be made only to Accredited Investors upon the delivery of an investment representation letter substantially in the form set out in Exhibit I to Appendix B of the Global Programme Agreement or the Americas Programme Agreement (as the case may be) or, in the case of Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) resold or otherwise transferred pursuant to Rule 144A, to institutional investors that are reasonably believed to qualify as QIBs who are also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer qualified purchasers.

Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer will be offered in the United States only by approaching prospective purchasers on an individual basis. No general solicitation or general advertising (as such terms are used in Rule 502 under the Securities Act) will be used in connection with the offering of the Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer in the United States and no directed selling efforts (as defined in Regulation S) shall be used in connection therewith.

No sale of Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer in the United States to any one purchaser will be for less than U.S.\$150,000 principal amount or, in the case of sales to Accredited Investors, U.S.\$250,000 principal amount, and no Registered Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) will be issued in connection with such a sale in a smaller principal amount. If the purchaser is a non-bank fiduciary acting on behalf of others, each person for whom it is acting must purchase at least U.S.\$150,000 or, in the case of sales to Accredited Investors, U.S.\$250,000 principal amount of Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be).

Each Registered Global Note issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer shall contain a legend stating that the relevant Registered Global Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) and the guarantee of the Guaranteed Americas Notes has not been, and will not be, registered under the Securities Act or with any securities regulatory authority of any State or other jurisdiction of the United States, that any resale or other transfer of such Registered Global Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or any interest therein may be made only:

- (a) to a Dealer;
- (b) to a qualified institutional buyer, who with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer is reasonably believed to be a qualified purchaser, in a transaction which meets the requirements of Rule 144A;
- (c) outside the United States pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act; or
- (d) pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144 thereunder (if available),

and, in the case of a sale pursuant to (c) above, upon receipt by the relevant Dealer or the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer, as the case may be, of certification as to compliance therewith by the parties to such transfer. Resale or secondary market transfer of Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer in the United States may be made in the manner and to the parties specified above. The following legend will be included on each Registered Note issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer:

"The Notes and the guarantee of the Guaranteed Americas Notes (as the case may be) represented by this certificate have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or with any securities regulatory authority of any State or other jurisdiction of the United States, and may not be offered, sold, pledged or otherwise transferred in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act or an exemption from registration under the Securities Act. The transfer of this Note is subject to certain conditions, including those set forth in the form of transfer letters available upon request from the Registrar, The Bank of New York Mellon, (the "Registrar"). The holder hereof, by purchasing this Note, agrees for the benefit of the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) and the Dealers (if any) that (A) this Note may be resold only (1) to a Dealer (if any), (2) to a qualified institutional buyer (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act), who is also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer a qualified purchaser, in a transaction that meets the requirements of Rule 144A under the Securities Act, (3) outside the United States pursuant to Rule 903 or Rule 904 of Regulation S under the Securities Act in a transaction meeting the requirements set forth in the applicable certification available from the Registrar or (4) pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144 thereunder (if available) and in each case in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any State of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the holder will, and each subsequent holder is required to, notify any purchaser of this Note from it of the transfer restrictions referred to in (A) above. No representation can be made as to availability of the exemption provided by Rule 144 under the Securities Act for resales of this Note. Any resale or other transfer, or attempted resale or other transfer, of Notes made other than in compliance with the foregoing restrictions shall not be recognised by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), the relevant Registrar or any other agent of the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer."

Furthermore, any resale or other transfer, or attempted resale or other transfer, of Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer made other than in compliance with the foregoing restrictions shall not be recognised by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or any agent of the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) and all Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer will bear a legend to this effect.

By its purchase of any Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer, each investor in the United States purchasing Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer pursuant to Rule 144A shall be deemed to have agreed to the above restrictions and each such purchaser shall be deemed to have represented to the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), the seller and the Dealer, if applicable, that it is a qualified institutional buyer, who is also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer a qualified purchaser, and is aware that the sale to it is being made in reliance on Rule 144A.

In connection with its purchase of Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer, each Accredited Investor shall deliver to the relevant Dealer(s) or the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), as applicable, a letter stating, among other things, that:

- (a) it is an Accredited Investor or, if the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) are to be purchased for one or more institutional accounts ("investor accounts") for which it is acting as fiduciary or agent (except if it is a bank as defined in section 3(a)(2), or a savings and loan association or other institution as described in section 3(a)(5)(A), under the Securities Act whether acting in its individual or in a fiduciary capacity), each such account is an institutional investor and an accredited investor on a like basis;
- (b) in the normal course of business, it invests in or purchases securities similar to the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), and it has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters that it is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of purchasing any of the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be); and
- (c) it is aware that it (or any investor account) may be required to bear the economic risk of an investment in each Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) for an indefinite period of time, and it (or such account) is able to bear such risk for an indefinite period. The letter will also acknowledge that the Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act and are being sold in a transaction exempt therefrom.

Each prospective purchaser of Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer offered in reliance on Rule 144A or Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act ("**Restricted Notes**"), by accepting delivery of this Base Prospectus, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

(a) Such offeree acknowledges that this Base Prospectus is personal to such offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) other than pursuant to Rule 144A or Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act or in offshore transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Base Prospectus, or disclosure of any of its contents to any person other than such offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise such offeree with respect thereto is unauthorised, and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), is prohibited.

(b) Such offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Base Prospectus or any documents referred to herein.

Each purchaser of an interest in a Restricted Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) offered and sold in reliance on Rule 144A will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or in Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

- (a) the purchaser (i) is a QIB who is also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer a qualified purchaser, (ii) is aware and each beneficial owner of such Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) has been advised that the sale of such Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) to it is being made in reliance on Rule 144A and (iii) is acquiring Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) for its own account or for the account of a QIB who is also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer a qualified purchaser;
- (b) the purchaser understands that such Restricted Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) is being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, such Restricted Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) and the guarantee of the Guaranteed Americas Notes has not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or with any securities regulatory authority of any State or other jurisdiction of the United States and may not be offered, sold, pledged or otherwise transferred in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act or an exemption from registration under the Securities Act; and that (i) if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Restricted Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), such Restricted Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) may be offered, sold, pledged or otherwise transferred only (A) to a person who the seller reasonably believes is a OIB who is also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer a qualified purchaser purchasing for its own account or for the account of a QIB who is also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer a qualified purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, (B) in an offshore transaction in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 of Regulation S or (C) pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144 thereunder (if available) and in each of such cases in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any State of the United States or any other jurisdiction and that (ii) the purchaser will, and each subsequent holder of the Restricted Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) is required to, notify any purchaser of such Restricted Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) from it of the resale restrictions referred to in (i) above and that (iii) no representation can be made as to the availability of the exemption provided by Rule 144 under the Securities Act for resale of Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be);
- (c) the purchaser understands that the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), the Registrar, the Dealers and their affiliates (if any), and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements. If the purchaser is acquiring any Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) for the account of one or more qualified institutional buyers who are also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer qualified purchasers it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and that it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements on behalf of each such account; and

(d) the purchaser understands that the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) offered in reliance on Rule 144A will be represented by the Restricted Global Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be). Before any interest in the Restricted Global Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) may be offered, sold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in the Reg. S Global Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), it will be required to provide a written certification as to compliance with applicable securities laws.

Each purchaser of Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer outside the United States pursuant to Regulation S and each subsequent purchaser of such Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer in resales prior to the expiration of the distribution compliance period, by accepting delivery of this Base Prospectus and the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), will be deemed to have represented, agreed and acknowledged that:

- (a) the purchaser is, or at the time Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) are purchased will be, the beneficial owner of such Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) and (a) it is not a U.S. person and it is located outside the United States (within the meaning of Regulation S) and (b) it is not an affiliate of the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or a person acting on behalf of such an affiliate;
- (b) the purchaser understands that such Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer and the Guaranteed Americas Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and that, prior to the expiration of the distribution compliance period, it will not offer, sell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) except (a) in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act to a person that it and any person acting on its behalf reasonably believe is a QIB who is also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer a qualified purchaser purchasing for its own account or the account of a QIB who is also with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer a qualified purchaser or (b) in an offshore transaction in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 of Regulation S, in each case in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any State of the United States;
- (c) the purchaser understands that such Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), unless otherwise determined by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) in accordance with applicable law, will bear a legend as follows:

"The Notes represented by this certificate have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or with any securities regulatory authority of any State or other jurisdiction of the United States, and may not be offered, sold, pledged or otherwise transferred in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act or an exemption from registration under the Securities Act. This legend shall cease to apply upon the expiry of the period of 40 days after the completion of the distribution of all the Notes of the Tranche of which this Note forms part".

- (d) the purchaser understands that the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), the relevant Registrar, the Dealers and their affiliates (if any), and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements; and
- (e) the purchaser understands that the Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer offered in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by the Reg. S Global Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be). Prior to the expiration of the distribution compliance period,

before any interest in the Restricted Global Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) may be offered, sold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in the Reg. S Global Note issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), it will be required to provide a written certification as to compliance with applicable securities laws.

### The Australian Issuer

The Notes issued by the Australian Issuer have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except in certain transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings assigned to them by Regulation S under the Securities Act.

Each Dealer will be required to represent and agree that it will not offer, sell or deliver Notes issued by the Australian Issuer of any Series (i) as part of its distribution at any time or (ii) otherwise until 40 days after the completion of the distribution of an identifiable tranche of which Notes issued by the Australian Issuer are a part, as determined by the relevant Dealer or, in the case of an identifiable tranche of Notes issued by the Australian Issuer sold on a syndicated basis, the relevant lead manager, within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons. Each Dealer will be required to further agree that it will have sent to each dealer to which it sells Notes issued by the Australian Issuer during the distribution compliance period a confirmation or other notice setting forth the restrictions on offers and sales of the Notes issued by the Australian Issuer within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S of the Securities Act.

# European Economic Area

## The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a "Relevant Member State"), each Dealer has represented and agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the "Relevant Implementation Date") it has not made and will not make an offer of Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Base Prospectus as completed by the final terms in relation thereto to the public in that Relevant Member State except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of such Notes to the public in that Relevant Member State:

- (a) if the final terms in relation to the Notes specify that an offer of those Notes may be made other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State (a "Non-exempt Offer"), following the date of publication of a prospectus in relation to such Notes which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State, provided that any such prospectus has subsequently been completed by the final terms contemplating such Non-exempt Offer, in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, in the period beginning and ending on the dates specified in such prospectus or final terms, as applicable and the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) has consented in writing to its use for the purpose of that Non-exempt Offer;
- (b) at any time to any person or entity which is a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Directive;

- (c) at any time to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive), subject to obtaining the prior consent of the relevant Dealer or Dealers (if any) nominated by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) for any such offer; or
- (d) at any time in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive,

provided that no such offer of Notes referred to in (b) to (d) above shall require the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or any Dealer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive, or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive and provided further that the Americas Issuer will only offer Notes with a denomination of at least €100,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency at the date of issue of the Notes), in circumstances which would require the approval of a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive, upon approval by the AFM of an updated base prospectus relating to it prepared in accordance with Article 5 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression "an offer of Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer to the public" in relation to any Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Notes, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State, the expression "**Prospectus Directive**" means Directive 2003/71/EC (as amended, including by Directive 2010/73/EU), and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

### Australia

### The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

No prospectus or other disclosure document (as defined in the Corporations Act 2001 of the Commonwealth of Australia ("Australian Corporations Act")) in relation to the Programme or any Notes has been or will be lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC") or the ASX Limited ("ASX"). Each Dealer has represented and agreed and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that, unless the applicable Final Terms (or a supplement to this Base Prospectus) otherwise provides, it:

- (a) has not (directly or indirectly) offered or invited applications, and will not offer or invite applications, for issue, sale or purchase of Notes in Australia (including an offer or invitation which is received by a person in Australia); and
- (b) has not distributed or published, and will not distribute or publish, any base prospectus or other offering material or advertisement relating to any Notes in Australia,

unless the offeree or invitee is a "wholesale client" (within the meaning of section 761G of the Australian Corporations Act) and (i) the aggregate consideration payable by each offeree is at least A\$500,000 (or its equivalent in an alternate currency) (disregarding moneys lent by the offeror or its associates) or the offer otherwise does not require disclosure to investors under either Part 6D.2 or Chapter 7 of the Australian Corporations Act, (ii) such action complies with applicable laws and directives (including, without limitation, the financial services licensing requirements of Chapter 7 of the Australian Corporations Act) and (iii) such action does not require any document to be lodged with ASIC or the ASX.

Section 708(19) of the Australian Corporations Act provides that an offer of debentures for issue or sale does not need disclosure to investors under Part 6D.2 of the Australian Corporations Act if the issuer is an ADI. As at the date of this Base Prospectus, the Australian Issuer is an ADI.

In addition, each Dealer has agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to agree, that in relation to any Notes issued by an Issuer (other than the Australian Issuer) it will comply with the directive issued by the Assistant Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Australia dated 23 September 1996 as contained in Banking (Exemption) Order No. 82 which requires all offers and transfers to be for a consideration of at least A\$500,000. Banking (Exemption) Order No. 82 does not apply to transfers which occur outside Australia.

The Banking (Foreign Exchange) Regulations and other regulations in Australia prohibit payments, transactions and dealings with assets or named individuals or entities subject to international sanctions or associated with terrorism.

### Austria

### The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

The following selling restriction shall apply to offers of Notes in Austria in addition to the selling restrictions under the section headed "Subscription and Sale – European Economic Area".

No offer of Notes in bearer form may be made to the public in Austria, except that an offer of the bearer Notes may be made to the public in Austria (a) in the period beginning on the date which is one bank working day following (i) the date of publication of this Base Prospectus including any supplements but excluding any Final Terms in relation to the Notes which has been approved by the *Finanzmarktaufsichtsbehörde* in Austria (the "FMA") or, where appropriate, approved in another EU Member State and notified to the FMA, all in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, (ii) the date of publication (and communication to FMA) of the relevant Final Terms for the Notes and (iii) the date of filing of a notification with the *Oesterreichische Kontrollbank*, all as prescribed by the Austrian Capital Market Act (*Kapitalmarktgesetz* 1991, "CMA"), or (b) otherwise in compliance with the CMA.

Offers of Notes in registered form must not be made to Austrian investors.

For the purposes of this selling restriction, the expression "an offer of Notes to the public" means the communication to the public in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Notes.

### Brazil

# The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

Neither the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer nor the issuance of the Notes have been or will be registered with the Brazilian Securities and Exchange Commission (*Comissão de Valores Mobiliários*, the "CVM"). Any public offering or distribution, as defined under Brazilian laws and regulations, of the Notes in Brazil is not legal without prior registration with the CVM, in accordance with law n. ° 6,385, dated 7 December 1976, as amended, and CVM Rule n.º 400, dated 29 December 2003, as amended. Documents relating to the offering of the Notes, as well as any information contained therein, may not be supplied to the public in Brazil (as the offering of the Notes is not a public offering of securities in Brazil), nor be used in connection with any offer for subscription or sale of the Notes in Brazil. As a result, the Notes have not been and will not be publicly issued, placed, distributed, offered or negotiated in the Brazilian capital markets. Therefore, each of the Dealers has represented, warranted and agreed or will represent, warrant and agree that it has not, directly or indirectly, offered or sold, and will not offer or sell, the Notes in Brazil, except in circumstances which do not constitute a public offering, placement, distribution or negotiation of securities under the Brazilian laws and regulations.

# Bulgaria

### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Reference is made to the general selling restriction for the European Economic Area, which applies to offers made in Bulgaria. The terms and conditions of this Base Prospectus have not been approved by and will not be submitted for approval to the Financial Supervision Commission of the Republic of Bulgaria (the "FSC") nor the approval of the terms and conditions of this Base Prospectus by the competent authority of another Relevant Member State have been or will be notified to the FSC in accordance with the Prospectus Directive for purposes of public offering or admission of securities for trade on a regulated market in the Republic of Bulgaria. Accordingly, the Notes which are subject to the offering contemplated by this Base Prospectus may not be offered to the public in Bulgaria or admitted to trading on a regulated market in Bulgaria in a manner that would require the publication of a prospectus compliant with the Bulgarian Law on Public Offering of Securities, approved by the FSC, or approved by the competent authority of another Relevant Member State and notified to the FSC in accordance with the Prospectus Directive. The obligation to publish a prospectus would not apply to the public offering in Bulgaria of the Notes in any of the circumstances specified in Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive. Under the Bulgarian Law on Public Offering of Securities and for the purposes of this provision public offering of the Notes in Bulgaria means the communication to 100 and more persons or indefinite number of persons in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Notes, except when such offer is made as part of liquidation, enforcement or insolvency proceedings.

Unless otherwise provided in this Base Prospectus, any person making or intending to make any offer within Bulgaria of the Notes which are the subject of the offering contemplated in this Base Prospectus should only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for any of the Issuers or any of the Dealers to produce a prospectus for such offer. Save as provided in this Base Prospectus, neither the relevant Issuer nor any Dealer has authorised the making of any public offer of the Notes in Bulgaria and the relevant Issuer has not consented to the use of this Base Prospectus by any other person in connection with any public offering of the Notes in Bulgaria.

Each Dealer has represented and agreed that it has not taken, and will not take, any action which would result in the Notes being classed as "public attracting of deposits or other refundable funds" by the Issuers in Bulgaria within the meaning of § 1 (1), item 3 of the Complementary Provision of the Bulgarian Law on Credit Institutions.

### Canada

# The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

Each Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that, with respect to the issue of the Notes by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer:

- (a) the sale and delivery of any such Notes to any purchaser who is a resident of Canada or otherwise subject to the laws of Canada or who is purchasing for a principal who is a resident of Canada or otherwise subject to the laws of Canada (each such purchaser and principal, a "Canadian Purchaser") by such Dealer shall be made so as to be exempt from the prospectus and, where applicable, registration requirements of all applicable securities laws in the provinces and territories of Canada (the "Canadian Securities Laws");
- (b) each Canadian Purchaser, or any ultimate purchaser for whom such purchaser is acting as agent, is entitled under applicable Canadian Securities Laws to purchase the Notes without the benefit of a

prospectus qualified under Canadian Securities Laws, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing: (a) is an "accredited investor" as defined in section 1.1 of National Instrument 45-106 Prospectus and Exemptions ("NI 45-106"), and if resident in British Columbia, where applicable, is also a "permitted client" as defined, or in Ontario, subsection 73.3(1) of the Securities Act (Ontario), in section 1.1 National Instrument 31-103 Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations ("NI 31-103"); (b) was not created or used solely to purchase or hold the Notes as an "accredited investor" as described in paragraph (m) of the definition of "accredited investor" in section 1.1 of NI 45 106; and (c) any one of the following apply, (A) such purchaser is purchasing the Notes from a dealer registered as an "investment dealer" or "exempt market dealer" as defined under applicable Canadian Securities Laws, (B) such purchaser is a "permitted client" (as defined above) and is purchasing the Notes from a dealer permitted to rely on the "international dealer exemption" contained in section 8.18 of NI 31-103, or (C) such purchaser is resident in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Northwest Territories, Nunavut or the Yukon and is purchasing the Notes from a dealer entitled to rely on a dealer registration exemption for trades with "accredited investors" made available under a blanket order issued by the applicable securities regulatory authority in such jurisdictions;

- (c) if any Canadian Purchaser, or any ultimate purchaser for whom such purchaser is acting as agent, is relying on their status as an "accredited investor" under paragraph (j), (k) or (l) of the definition of accredited investor (as defined above), such Canadian Purchaser (i) has reviewed, completed and executed the Risk Acknowledgement Form on Form 45-106F9; and (ii) has provided applicable certifications and/or other information or documentation to the dealer to evidence its status and criteria for compliance with the relevant category of "accredited investor," and understands that the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) may be required to verify that the purchaser satisfies such criteria, and that the purchaser may be required to provide additional information or documentation to the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) to evidence such compliance;
- (d) the offer and sale of the Notes was made exclusively through the final version of the Base Prospectus and was not made through an advertisement of the Notes in any printed media of general and regular paid circulation, radio, television or telecommunications, including electronic display, or any other form of advertising in Canada;
- (e) it will ensure that each Canadian Purchaser is advised that no securities commission or other similar regulatory authority in Canada has reviewed or in any way passed upon the Base Prospectus or the merits of the Notes described therein;
- (f) it has not made and it will not make any written or oral representations to any Canadian Purchaser: (a) that any person will resell or repurchase such Notes purchased by such Canadian Purchaser; (b) that such Notes will be freely tradeable by the Canadian Purchaser without any restrictions or hold periods; (c) that any person will refund the purchase price of such Notes; or (d) as to the future price or value of such Notes;
- (g) it will inform each Canadian Purchaser that the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) is not a reporting issuer (under Canadian Securities Laws), and may never be, a reporting issuer in any province or territory of Canada and there currently is no public market in Canada for such Notes and one may never develop and that the Notes will be subject to resale restrictions under applicable Canadian Securities Laws; and
- (h) none of the funds being used to purchase the Notes are, to its knowledge, obtained or derived, directly or indirectly, from or related to any criminal or otherwise illegal or prohibited activity and are not

being invested in contravention of any proceeds of crime, anti-terrorist financing, economic sanctions or other similar restrictions or prohibitions.

In addition, each individual purchaser of Notes resident in Ontario who receives a purchase confirmation, by the purchaser's receipt thereof, will be deemed to have represented to and agreed with the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be), and the Dealer from whom such purchase confirmation was received, that:

- (i) such purchaser has been notified by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) (a) that the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or the Dealer is required to provide information ("personal information") pertaining to the purchaser as required to be disclosed in Schedule I of Form 45-106F1 under NI 45-106 (including its name, address, telephone number and the number and value of any such Notes purchased), which Form 45-106F1 is required to be filed by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) under NI 45-106; (b) that such personal information will be delivered to the Ontario Securities Commission (the "OSC") in accordance with NI 45-106; (c) that such personal information is being collected indirectly by the OSC under the authority granted to it under the securities legislation of Ontario; (d) that such personal information is being collected for the purposes of the administration and enforcement of the securities legislation of Ontario; and (e) that the public official in Ontario who can answer questions about the OSC's indirect collection of such personal information is the Administrative Support Clerk at the OSC, Suite 1903, Box 55, 20 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario M5H 3S8, Telephone: (416) 593-3684;
- (ii) by purchasing such Notes, such purchaser has authorised the indirect collection of the personal information by the OSC; and acknowledges that its name, address, telephone number and other specified information, including the number of such Notes it has purchased and the aggregate purchase price to the purchaser, may be disclosed to other Canadian securities regulatory authorities and may become available to the public in accordance with the requirements of applicable laws; and
- (iii) by purchasing such Notes, each such purchaser consents to the disclosure of such information.

## **Certain Relationships and Related Transactions**

Offerings under this Base Prospectus will be made in Canada on private placement basis only to purchasers purchasing, or deemed to be purchasing, as principal that are both accredited investors as defined in National Instrument 45-106 *Prospectus Exemptions or subsection 73.3(1) of the Securities Act (Ontario)*, and permitted clients as defined in National Instrument 31-103 *Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations*. Accordingly, resales of securities purchased under this Base Prospectus by Canadian investors must be made in compliance with the prospectus and registration requirements of applicable Canadian securities laws or in reliance upon available exemptions from such requirements. These resale restrictions may under certain circumstances apply to resales of such securities outside of Canada.

Pursuant to section 3A.3 of National Instrument 33-105 *Underwriting Conflicts*, any offerings under this Base Prospectus will be conducted in reliance upon an exemption from the disclosure requirements that may otherwise apply to underwriter conflicts of interest under NI 33-105 *Underwriting Conflicts*.

### Rights of Action for Damages or Rescission

Securities legislation in certain provinces or territories of Canada may provide a purchaser with remedies for rescission or damages if this Base Prospectus (including any amendment thereto) contains a misrepresentation, provided that the remedies for rescission or damages are exercised by the purchaser within the time limit prescribed by the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory. The purchaser

should refer to any applicable provisions of the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory for particulars of these rights or consult with a legal advisor.

# **Enforcement of Legal Rights**

The Issuers are organised under the laws of The Netherlands or, as applicable, under the laws of a jurisdiction outside of Canada. All or substantially all of the Issuers' directors and officers, as well as certain of the experts named herein, are or may be located outside of Canada and, as a result, it may not be possible for Canadian Purchasers to effect service of process within Canada upon the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or such persons. All or a substantial portion of the assets of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) and such other persons are or may be located outside of Canada and, as a result, it may not be possible to satisfy a judgement against the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or such persons in Canada or to enforce a judgement obtained in Canadian courts against the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or persons outside of Canada.

# Language of Documents

Upon receipt of this document, each Canadian Purchaser hereby confirms that it has expressly requested that all documents evidencing or relating in any way to the sale of the securities described herein (including for greater certainty any purchase confirmation or any notice) be drawn up in the English language only. Par la réception de ce document, chaque investisseur canadien confirme par les présentes qu'il a expressément exigé que tous les documents faisant foi ou se rapportant de quelque manière que ce soit à la vente des valeurs mobilières décrites aux présentes (incluant, pour plus de certitude, toute confirmation d'achat ou tout avis) soient rédigés en anglais seulement.

## Cayman Islands

## The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

No offer or invitation may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for any of the Notes and this Base Prospectus may not be given to any members of the public in the Cayman Islands.

## Chile

#### The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

Neither the Issuer nor the Notes have been or will be registered with the Superintendencia de Valores y Seguros de Chile ("SVS") under the Chilean Securities Market Law, No. 18.045 ("Ley de Mercado de Valores") and regulations thereunder. Accordingly, each Dealer has undertaken that it will not offer or sell any Notes directly or indirectly, in Chile or to, or for the benefit of, any Chilean Person or to others for reoffering or resale, directly or indirectly, in Chile or to any Chilean Person except under circumstances which will result in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and guidelines promulgated by the relevant Chilean governmental and regulatory authorities and in effect at the relevant time. Therefore, the Base Prospectus is not an offer or solicitation to buy securities or other financial instruments, or any advice or recommendation with respect to the Notes for any Chilean Person, unless it qualifies as a private offering exempted from registration under Article 4 of the Ley de Mercado de Valores or Norma de Carácter General No. 336 of the SVS, as applicable.

The commencement date of the offering is set forth in this instrument, and, to the extent applicable, the offering is subject to the private placement exception provided by Norma de Carácter General No. 336 of the SVS. The Notes being offered pursuant to the Base Prospectus have not been registered in the securities register kept by the SVS as foreign securities, and, therefore, they are not subject to the supervision of the

SVS. As the Notes are not registered in Chile, the Issuer is not obliged to provide public information related to them in Chile. The Notes cannot be subject to a public offering in Chile if they have not been registered in the respective securities register. As provided by Norma de Carácter General No. 336 of the SVS, the warnings included on this paragraph are repeated herein in Spanish: LA FECHA DE INICIO DE LA OFERTA SE INCLUYE EN ESTE INSTRUMENTO. ESTA OFERTA SE ACOGE A LA NORMA DE CARÁCTER GENERAL N° 336. LA OFERTA VERSA SOBRE VALORES NO INSCRITOS EN EL REGISTRO DE VALORES O EN EL REGISTRO DE VALORES EXTRANJEROS QUE LLEVA LA SUPERINTENDENCIA DE VALORES Y SEGUROS, POR LO QUE NO ESTÁN SUJETOS A LA FISCALIZACIÓN DE ÉSTA. POR TRATASE DE VALORES NO INSCRITOS, NO EXISTE OBLIGACIÓN POR PARTE DEL EMISOR DE ENTREGAR EN CHILE INFORMACIÓN PÚBLICA RESPECTO DE LOS VALORES. LOS VALORES NO PODRÁN SER OBJETO DE OFERTA PÚBLICA MIENTRAS NO SEAN INSCRITOS EN EL REGISTRO DE VALORES CORRESPONDIENTE.

For the purposes of this paragraph, "Chilean Person" shall mean any person resident in Chile, including any corporation or other entity organised under the laws of Chile.

# Czech Republic

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

No approval of a prospectus has been sought or obtained from the Czech National Bank (the "CNB") under Act No. 256/2004 Coll., on Conducting Business in the Capital Market, as amended (the "Capital Market Act") with respect to the Notes. No action has been taken to passport a prospectus approved by the competent authority of the home Member State of the issuer into the Czech Republic by delivery of certificate of the competent authority of the home Member State of the issuer to the CNB attesting that a prospectus approved by the home Member State authority has been drawn up in accordance with law of the European Economic Area.

No application has been filed nor has any permission been obtained for listing nor has any other arrangement for trading the Notes on any regulated market in the Czech Republic (as defined by the Capital Market Act) been made. Accordingly, each of the Dealers represented and agreed that it has not and will not offer, sell or otherwise introduce the Notes for trading in the Czech Republic in a manner that would require the notification of a prospectus approved by the competent authority of the home Member State of the issuer into the Czech Republic by delivery of certificate of the competent authority of the home Member State of the relevant Issuer to the CNB attesting that a prospectus approved by the home Member State authority has been drawn up in accordance with law of the European Economic Area. Accordingly, any person making or intending to make any offer within the Czech Republic of the Notes which are the subject of the placement contemplated in this Base Prospectus should only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for any of the Issuers or any of the Dealers to produce a prospectus for such offer. Neither the Issuers nor the Dealers have authorised, nor do they authorise, the making of any offer of the Notes through any financial intermediary, other than offers made by Dealers which constitute the final placement of the Notes contemplated in this Base Prospectus.

Each Dealer has represented and agreed with the Issuers and each other Dealer that it has complied with and will comply with all the requirements of the Capital Market Act and the Act of the Czech Republic No. 190/2004 Coll., on Bonds, as amended (the "Bonds Act") and has not taken, and will not take, any action which would result in the issue of the Notes being classed as "accepting of deposits from the public" by the Issuers in the Czech Republic under Section 2 of Act of the Czech Republic No. 21/1992 Coll., on Banks (as amended) (the "Banking Act") or requiring a permit, registration, filing or notification to the CNB other authorities in the Czech Republic in respect of the Notes in accordance with the Capital Market Act, and the Bonds Act and the Banking Act or the practice of the CNB.

Each Dealer has represented and agreed with the Issuers and each other Dealer, that it has complied with and will comply with all the laws of the Czech Republic applicable to the conduct of business in the Czech Republic (including the laws applicable to the provision of investment services (within the meaning of the Capital Market Act) in the Czech Republic) in respect of the Notes.

# **Finland**

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Reference is made to the general selling restriction for the European Economic Area, which applies to offers made in Finland. Each Dealer has represented and agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that it will not, directly or indirectly, publicly offer the Notes or bring the Notes into general circulation in Finland other than in compliance with all applicable provisions of the laws of Finland and especially in compliance with the Finnish Securities Market Act (*arvopaperimarkkinalaki* (746/2012), as amended) and any regulation or rules made thereunder, as supplemented and amended from time to time. In the case of an admission to trading on a regulated market of the Notes in Finland, all applicable provisions of the Finnish Securities Markets Act must be complied with by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer or the persons authorised to offer the Notes to the public in Finland.

#### France

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Each Dealer has represented and agreed and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that:

Offer to the public in France: it has only made and will only make an offer of Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer to the public in France in the period beginning on the date of notification to the Autorité des marchés financiers ("AMF") of the approval of the Base Prospectus by the competent authority of a Member State of the European Economic Area, other than the AMF, which has implemented the Prospectus Directive, all in accordance with Articles L.412-1 et seq. and L.621-8 et seq. of the French Code monétaire et financier and the Règlement général of AMF, and ending at the latest on the date which is 12 months after the date of the approval of the Base Prospectus; or

Private placement in France: it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell, directly or indirectly, any Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer to the public in France, and it has not distributed or caused to be distributed and will not distribute or cause to be distributed to the public in France, this Base Prospectus, the applicable Final Terms or any other offering material relating to the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer, and such offers, sales and distributions have been and will be made in France only to (a) persons providing investment services relating to portfolio management for the account of third parties (personnes fournissant le service d'investissement de gestion de portefeuille pour compte de tiers), and/or (b) qualified investors (investisseurs qualifiés) acting for their own account as defined in, and in accordance with, Articles L.411-1, L.411-2, D.411-1, D.744-1, D.754-1 and D.764-1 of the French Code monétaire et financier.

The Base Prospectus has not been submitted to the clearance procedures of the AMF.

# Hong Kong

# The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Each Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that:

- (i) it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell in Hong Kong, by means of any document, any Notes (which Notes are not a "structured product" as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) of Hong Kong) issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer other than (a) to "professional investors" as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance and any rules made under that Ordinance; or (b) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a "prospectus" as defined in the Companies Ordinance (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Cap. 32) of Hong Kong or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of that Ordinance; and
- (ii) it has not issued or had in its possession for the purposes of issue, and will not issue or have in its possession for the purposes of issue, whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere, any advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer (as the case may be), which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public of Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the securities laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer (as the case may be) which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to "professional investors" as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance and any rules made under that Ordinance.

# Hungary

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

This Base Prospectus has not been and will not be submitted for approval to the Hungarian Central Bank, its summary has not and will not be translated into Hungarian and the Notes will not be offered in Hungary in a public offer as defined in the Act CXX of 2001 on the Capital Markets (the "Hungarian Capital Markets Act") and neither the Base Prospectus, the Final Terms nor any offering material or advertisement in connection with the notes may be distributed or published in Hungary. No action has been taken to passport a prospectus approved by the competent authority of the home Member State of the Issuer into Hungary by delivery of certificate of the competent authority of the home Member State of the Issuer to the Hungarian Central Bank attesting that a prospectus approved by the home Member State authority has been drawn up in accordance with law of the European Economic Area. No application has been filed nor has any permission been obtained for listing nor has any other arrangement for trading the Notes on any regulated market in Hungary (as defined by the Hungarian Capital Markets Act) been made.

Each Dealer has confirmed its awareness of the above and has represented and agreed that it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell the Notes in Hungary in a manner that would require either the approval of a prospectus by the Hungarian Central Bank or notification of a prospectus approved by the competent authority of the home Member State of the relevant Issuer into Hungary.

The preceding paragraphs shall not apply, in case any prospectus regarding the Notes, and including any amendments thereto, had been approved by the relevant prudential authorities of a Member State of the relevant Issuer and the Hungarian Central Bank had been notified in accordance with the applicable Hungarian laws. Accordingly, any person making or intending to make any offer within Hungary of the Notes which are the subject of the placement contemplated in this Base Prospectus should only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for the Issuers or any of the Dealers to have a prospectus for such offer approved by the Hungarian Central Bank or to passport a prospectus approved by the competent authority of the home Member State of the relevant Issuer into Hungary.

#### India

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

No invitation, offer or sale to purchase or subscribe to the Notes of is made or intended to be made to the public in India through this Base Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto. This Base Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto is neither a prospectus, offer document or advertisement for any person resident in India nor has it been, or will be, submitted or registered as a prospectus or offer document under any applicable law or regulation in India. None of this Base Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto has been reviewed, approved, or recommended by any Registrar of Companies in India, the Securities and Exchange Board of India, the Reserve Bank of India, any stock exchange in India or any other Indian regulatory authority. None of the Notes, the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer have been registered with the Securities and Exchange Board of India, the Reserve Bank of India or any other regulatory authority in India.

Accordingly, no person may make any invitation, offer or sale of any Notes, nor may this Base Prospectus nor any amendment or supplement thereto nor any other document, material, notice or circular in connection with the invitation, offer or sale for subscription or purchase of any Notes ("Offer") be circulated or distributed whether directly or indirectly to, or for the account or benefit of, any person resident in India, other than strictly on a private and confidential basis and so long as any such Offer is not calculated to result, directly or indirectly, in the Notes becoming available for subscription or purchase by persons other than those receiving such offer or invitation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall the Offer be made directly or indirectly, in any circumstances which would constitute an offer to the public in India within the meaning of any applicable law or regulation.

Any Offer of Notes to a person in India shall be subject to compliance with all applicable Indian laws including, without limitation, (Indian) Companies Act, 2013, as amended, the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999, as amended, and any guidelines, rules, regulations, circulars or notifications issued by the Reserve Bank of India, the Securities and Exchange Board of India and any other Indian regulatory authority.

Each investor in the Notes acknowledges, represents and agrees that it is eligible to invest in the Notes under applicable laws and regulations in India and that it is not prohibited or debarred under any law or regulation from acquiring, owning or selling the Notes and has obtained necessary regulatory approvals for its investments in the Notes.

## Ireland

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Each Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that:

- (a) it will not underwrite the issue of, or place, the Notes otherwise than in conformity with the provisions of the European Communities (Markets in Financial Instruments) Regulations 2007 (Nos. 1 to 3) (as amended) including, without limitation, Regulations 7 and 152 thereof or any codes of conduct issued in connection therewith, and the provisions of the Investor Compensation Act 1998;
- (b) it will not underwrite the issue of, or place, the Notes, otherwise than in conformity with the provisions of the Companies Act 2014 (as amended) (the "Companies Act"), the Central Bank Acts 1942 to 2015 (as amended) and any codes of conduct rules made under Section 117(1) of the Central Bank Act 1989 or section 48 of the Central Bank (Supervision and Enforcement) Act 2013;
- (c) it will not underwrite the issue of, or place, or do anything in Ireland in respect of the Notes otherwise than in conformity with the provisions of the Prospectus (Directive 2003/71/EC) Regulations 2005 (as

- amended) and any rules issued under Section 1363 of the Companies Act by the Central Bank of Ireland;
- (d) it will not underwrite the issue of, place, or otherwise act in Ireland in respect of the Notes, otherwise than in conformity with the provisions of the Market Abuse (Directive 2003/6/EC) Regulations 2005 (as amended), EU Regulation No 596/2014 (with effect from 3 July 2016) and any rules issued under Section 1370 of the Companies Act by the Central Bank of Ireland; and
- (e) no Notes will be offered or sold with a maturity of less than 12 months except in full compliance with Notice BSD C 01/02 issued by the Central Bank of Ireland.

# Italy

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

No public offerings or sales of the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer or any distribution of copies of this Base Prospectus or of any other any offering material relating to any Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer will or may be made available to the public in the Republic of Italy ("Italy"), except in case that either the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer, as the case may be, has been duly licensed to carry out banking activity in Italy pursuant to Article 11 of Legislative Decree No. 385 of 1 September 1993, as amended (the "Italian Banking Act").

Moreover the offering of the Notes has not been registered pursuant to Italian securities legislation and, accordingly, each Dealer has represented and agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that it has not offered, sold or delivered, and will not offer, sell or deliver any Notes or any copy of this Base Prospectus or any other document, including any offering material, relating to the Notes in Italy except:

- (a) to qualified investors (*investitori qualificati*), as defined pursuant to Article 100 of Legislative Decree No. 58 of 24 February 1998 as amended (the "**Italian Financial Act**") and Article 34-ter, first paragraph, letter b) of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971 of 14 May 1999, as amended (the "**Regulation No. 11971**"); or
- (b) in other circumstances which are exempted from the rules on public offerings pursuant to Article 100 of the Italian Financial Act and Regulation No. 11971.

In addition and subject to the foregoing, any offer, sale or delivery of the Notes or distribution of copies of this Base Prospectus or any other document, including any offering material, relating to the Notes issued in Italy must be:

- (a) made by an investment firm, bank or financial intermediary permitted to conduct such activities in Italy in accordance with the Italian Financial Act, the Italian Banking Act and CONSOB Regulation No. 16190 of 29 October 2007, all as amended; and
- (b) in compliance with any other applicable laws and regulations, including any requirement or limitation which may be imposed from time to time, *inter alia*, by CONSOB or the Bank of Italy or other Italian authority.

### Transfer restrictions in Italy

Please note that in accordance with Article 100-bis of the Italian Financial Act, where no exemption from the rules on public offerings applies under (a) and (b) above, the subsequent distribution of the Notes on the secondary market in Italy must be made in compliance with the public offer and the prospectus requirement rules provided under the Italian Financial Act and Regulation No. 11971. Failure to comply with

such rules may result in the sale of such Notes being declared null and void and in the liability of the intermediary transferring the financial instruments for any damages suffered by the investors.

## Japan

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

The Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer have not been and will not be registered under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act of Japan (the "FIEA") and no offer or sale of Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer (as the case may be) may be made directly or indirectly in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any resident of Japan (which term as used herein means any person resident in Japan, including any corporation or other entity organised under the laws of Japan), or to others for reoffering or resale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, a resident of Japan except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of or otherwise in compliance with the FIEA and any other applicable laws, regulations and ministerial guidelines of Japan.

### Malaysia

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

No action has been, or will be, taken to comply with Malaysian laws for making available, offering for subscription or purchase, or issuing any invitation to subscribe for or purchase or sale of the Notes in Malaysia or to persons in Malaysia as the Notes are not intended by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer (as the case may be) to be made available, or made the subject of any offer or invitation to subscribe or purchase, in Malaysia. In particular, no action has been or will be taken to obtain any recognition or approval from, or effect any filing with (i) the Securities Commission of Malaysia ("SC") or (ii) the Labuan Financial Services Authority under the Labuan Financial Services and Securities Act 2010, or any other Malaysian authority under any Malaysian law. Neither this document nor any document or other material in connection with the Notes should be distributed, caused to be distributed or circulated in Malaysia. No person should make available or make any invitation or offer or invitation to sell or purchase the Notes in Malaysia unless such person takes the necessary action to comply with Malaysian laws.

Each Dealer has represented and agreed and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that it has not and will not make available, offer for subscription or purchase, or issue any invitation to subscribe for or purchase or sale of the Notes in Malaysia or to persons in Malaysia.

## Mexico

The Notes have not been and will not be registered with the National Securities Registry (Registro Nacional de Valores) maintained by the Mexican National Banking and Securities Commission (Comisión Nacional Bancaria y de Valores) (the "CNBV"). The Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer may not be offered or sold publicly in Mexico. Each Dealer has represented and agreed that it will not offer or sell the Notes publicly in Mexico and that any offering materials related to the Notes may not be distributed publicly in Mexico, nor be used in connection with any public offer or sale of the Notes in Mexico. The Notes may be privately offered and sold in Mexico, to Mexican institutional and accredited investors, pursuant to the private placement exemption set forth in Article 8 of the Mexican Securities Market Law (Ley dek Mercado de Valores) and regulations thereunder.

This Base Prospectus is solely the responsibility of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer and has not been reviewed or authorised by the CNBV.

#### The Netherlands

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Each Dealer has represented and agreed and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that it will not make an offer of Notes which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Base Prospectus, as completed by the Final Terms relating thereto, to the public in The Netherlands in reliance on Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive (as defined above under "European Economic Area" above) unless (i) such offer is made exclusively to persons or entities which are qualified investors (*gekwalificeerde beleggers*) as defined in the Dutch Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het financieel toezicht*) or (ii) standard exemption wording and a logo are disclosed as required by Article 5:20(5) of the Dutch Financial Supervision Act, provided that no such offer of Notes shall require the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer (as the case may be) or any Dealer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

Zero Coupon Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer in bearer form and other Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer in bearer form on which no interest is paid during their tenor may fall within the definition of savings certificates as referred to in the Dutch Savings Certificates Act (Wet inzake spaarbewijzen) and if so any transfer or acceptance, directly or indirectly, within, from or into The Netherlands of such Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer is prohibited unless it is done through the mediation of either the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer or a member of Euronext Amsterdam, and certain identification requirements in relation to the issue, transfer of or payment on Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer qualifying as savings certificates have to be complied with. The above prohibition does not apply (i) to a transfer and acceptance of such Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer between individuals who do not act in the conduct of a profession or a business, (ii) to the initial issue and trading of such Notes by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer to the first holders thereof, and (iii) to the issue and trading of such Notes by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer if such Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer are physically issued outside of The Netherlands and are not immediately thereafter distributed in The Netherlands or to residents of The Netherlands in the course of primary trading.

# Panama

## The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

The Notes have not been and will not be registered with the Superintendence of Capital Markets of the Republic of Panama under Decree Law No.1 of July 8, 1999 (the "Panamanian Securities Act") and may not be publicly offered or sold within Panama, except in certain limited transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Panamanian Securities Act. These Notes do not benefit from the tax incentives provided by the Panamanian Securities Act and are not subject to regulation or supervision by the Superintendence of Capital Markets of the Republic of Panama.

# People's Republic of China

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

(a) In respect of any Notes:

The Notes may not be offered, sold or delivered, or offered or sold or delivered to any person for reoffering or resale or redelivery, in any such case directly or indirectly, in the People's Republic of China ("PRC") (excluding Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan) except pursuant to relevant PRC laws and regulations.

This Base Prospectus or any information obtained herein relating to the Notes does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities in the PRC. This Base Prospectus and any information contained herein or the Notes have not been, or will not be, submitted to, approved by, verified by or registered with any relevant governmental authorities in the PRC and thus may not be supplied to the public in the PRC or used in connection with any offer for the subscription or sale of the Notes in the PRC.

The Notes may only be invested in by the PRC investors that are authorised to engage in investing in the Notes of the type being offered or sold. Investors are responsible for obtaining all relevant government approvals, verifications, licenses or registrations (if any) from all relevant PRC governmental authorities, including, but not limited to, the State Administration of Foreign Exchange, the China Securities Regulatory Commission, the China Banking Regulatory Commission, the China Insurance Regulatory Commission and/or other relevant regulatory bodies, and complying with all relevant PRC regulations, including, but not limited to, any relevant foreign exchange regulations and/or overseas investment regulations.

(b) In respect of any Participation Notes for which the relevant Reference Jurisdiction is the PRC (excluding Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan):

The Notes may not be offered, sold or delivered, or offered or sold or delivered to any person for reoffering or resale or redelivery, in any such case directly or indirectly, in the PRC (excluding Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan), or to any Domestic Investor or to any person using funds to purchase the Participation Notes sourced from any Domestic Investor.

#### "Domestic Investor" means:

- (i) PRC citizens resident in the PRC (excluding Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan);
- (ii) PRC citizens resident outside the PRC who are not permanent residents of another country or permanent residents of Hong Kong, Macau or Taiwan;
- (iii) Legal persons registered in the PRC (excluding Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan); and
- (iv) Partnerships and non-legal person investment enterprises registered in the PRC (excluding Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan).

"PRC citizens" means any person holding a "Resident Identification Card" or other equivalent government issued identification of the PRC.

# Republic of Korea

# The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

The Notes may not be offered, sold or delivered, directly or indirectly, or offered or sold to any person for re-offering or resale, directly or indirectly, in the Republic of Korea ("Korea") or to any resident of Korea except pursuant to the applicable laws and regulations of Korea, including but not limited to the Financial Investment Services and Capital Markets Act of Korea (the "FSCMA"), the Regulation on Securities Issuance and Disclosure issued by the Financial Services Commission thereunder, provisions in the Foreign Exchange Transactions Law of Korea and the regulations thereunder and, to the extent of the Notes categorised as derivatives linked securities under the FSCMA, subparagraph 5-2, Paragraph 4, Article 7 of the Enforcement Decree of the FSCMA requiring, among others, sales through a broker or dealer licensed in Korea to professional investors (as defined therein). No registration statement has been filed with the Financial Services Commission of Korea in connection with the issue of the Notes. The Notes can be sold or resold to Korean residents only subject to all applicable regulatory requirements of Korea.

# Republic of the Philippines

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Under the Philippines' Republic Act No. 8799 (the "Philippine Securities Regulation Code"), securities are not permitted to be sold or offered for sale or distribution within the Philippines, without a registration statement duly filed with, and approved by, the Philippine Securities and Exchange Commission unless such securities are exempt securities under Section 9 of the Philippine Securities Regulation Code or are sold in an exempt transaction under Section 10 of the Philippine Securities Regulation Code. If the Notes will be offered or sold in the Philippines on the basis of an exempt transaction, any such offer or sale will be made to any number of qualified buyers pursuant to Section 10.1(l) of the Philippine Securities Regulation code, and/or, to the extent allowed under Philippine law, to not more than nineteen (19) non-qualified buyers pursuant to Section 10.1(k) of the Philippine Securities Regulation Code.

THE NOTES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE PHILIPPINE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION UNDER THE PHILIPPINE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE. ANY FUTURE OFFER OR SALE THEREOF IS SUBJECT TO REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE PHILIPPINE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE UNLESS THE NOTES CONSTITUTE EXEMPT SECURITIES OR UNLESS SUCH OFFER OR SALE OF THE NOTES QUALIFIES AS AN EXEMPT TRANSACTION.

#### Romania

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

The Notes may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in Romania and neither the Base Prospectus, the Final Terms nor any other offering material or advertisement in connection with the Notes may be distributed or published in Romania, except under circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable laws, rules and regulations of Romania, including Law no. 297/2004 regarding the capital markets, as amended and supplemented (the "Romanian Capital Markets Act"), all implementing regulations (including Regulation no. 1/2006 regarding securities and operations with securities, as amended and supplemented) (the "Romanian Implementing Regulations") issued by the Romanian Financial Supervisory Authority (the "Romanian FSA"), and all relevant regulations issued by the European Commission.

No approval of this Base Prospectus has been sought or obtained from the Romanian FSA in respect of the Notes, in accordance with the Romanian Capital Markets Act and the relevant Romanian Implementing Regulations. No application has been filed nor has any permission been obtained for listing nor has any other arrangement for trading of the Notes on any regulated market in Romania (as defined by the Capital Markets Act and the relevant Romanian Implementing Regulations) been made. Accordingly, each Dealer represented that it has not and will not offer, sell or otherwise introduce the Notes through a public offering in Romania other than in accordance with all applicable provisions of the Romanian Capital Markets Act and the relevant Romanian Implementing Regulations.

Any public offering of the Notes by the Dealers may only be made through a financial services intermediary authorised or recognised in accordance with the Romanian Capital Markets Act once (a) the Base Prospectus (including any amendments thereto) in relation to the Notes has been approved in another Relevant Member State and notified/passported to the Romanian FSA on the basis of a certificate of approval together with a copy of this Base Prospectus and the Final Terms and the Romanian translation of the summary of the Base Prospectus in accordance with the Romanian Capital Markets Act and the relevant Romanian Implementing Regulations, (b) the European Securities and Markets Authority has been duly notified, and (c) the Base Prospectus and the Final Terms and the summary of the Base Prospectus in

Romanian have been made available to the public. Accordingly, any person making or intending to make any offer within Romania of the Notes which are the subject of the placement contemplated in this Base Prospectus should only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for the Issuer or any of the Dealers to have a prospectus, base prospectus or similar document for such offer approved by the Romanian FSA.

Each Dealer has represented and agreed with the Issuers and each other Dealer, that:

- (i) it has not offered or sold and will not offer and sell, directly or indirectly, any Notes in Romania through a public offering and has not provided and will not provide any communication to a broader circle of persons containing information on the securities being offered and the terms under which they may acquire the securities and which are sufficient for the investor to make a decision or to subscribe for, or purchase, such securities;
- (ii) it has not communicated or caused to be communicated and will not communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation, inducement to engage in investment activity or any other type of advertising materials (within the meaning of the Romanian Capital Markets Act and the European Commission Regulation No. 809/2004) received or issued by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Notes;
- (iii) it will not take any action which would result in the Notes being deemed to have been issued in Romania, or that the issue of the Notes being classed as "taking deposits and other repayable funds from the public" by the Issuer in Romania under the Romanian Government Emergency Ordinance No. 99/2006, as amended (the "Romanian Banking Act"), or requiring a permit, registration, filing or notification to the Romanian FSA, the National Bank of Romania (the "NBR") or other authorities in Romania in respect of the Notes in accordance with the Romanian Capital Markets Act, the Romanian Banking Act or the practice of the Romanian FSA and/or the NBR; and
- (iv) it has complied with, and will comply with, all the laws of Romania, including applicable provisions of the Romanian Capital Markets Act, the Romanian Banking Act and any and all relevant regulations issued by the Romanian FSA, the NBR and the European Commission with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Notes (including any further resale of the Notes) in, from or otherwise involving Romania.

#### Russia

# The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Each of the Dealers has agreed that the Notes will not be offered, transferred or sold as part of their initial distribution or at any time thereafter to or for the benefit of any persons (including legal entities) resident, incorporated, established or having their usual residence in the Russian Federation or to any person located within the territory of the Russian Federation unless and to the extent otherwise permitted under Russian law.

# **Singapore**

## The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

For Notes which are classified in Singapore as units ("CIS Notes") in "collective investment schemes" ("CIS"):

The offer or invitation of the CIS Notes, which is the subject of this Base Prospectus, does not relate to a collective investment scheme which is authorised under Section 286 of the Securities and Futures Act,

Chapter 289 of Singapore (the "SFA") or recognised under Section 287 of the SFA. The CIS is not authorised or recognised by the Monetary Authority of Singapore (the "MAS") and the CIS Notes are not allowed to be offered to the retail public. This Base Prospectus and any other document or material issued in connection with the offer or sale is not a prospectus as defined in the SFA. Accordingly, statutory liability under the SFA in relation to the content of prospectuses would not apply. You should consider carefully whether the investment is suitable for you. This Base Prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the MAS. Accordingly, this Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of CIS Notes may not be circulated or distributed, nor may CIS Notes be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 304 of the SFA, (ii) to a relevant person pursuant to Section 305(1), or any person pursuant to Section 305(2), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 305 of the SFA, or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where CIS Notes are subscribed or purchased under Section 305 of the SFA by a relevant person which is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the SFA)) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary of the trust is an individual who is an accredited investor,

securities (as defined in Section 239(1) of the SFA) of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferred within six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the CIS Notes pursuant to an offer made under Section 305 of the SFA except:

- (1) to an institutional investor or to a relevant person defined in Section 305(5) of the SFA, or to any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A) or Section 305A(3)(i)(B) of the SFA;
- (2) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (3) where the transfer is by operation of law;
- (4) as specified in Section 305A(5) of the SFA; or
- (5) as specified in Regulation 36 of the Securities and Futures (Offers of Investments) (Collective Investment Schemes) Regulation 2005 of Singapore.

For Notes which are classified in Singapore as "debentures":

This Base Prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, this Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of Notes may not be circulated or distributed, nor may Notes be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the "SFA"), (ii) to a relevant person pursuant to Section 275(1), or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA, or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where Notes are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 of the SFA by a relevant person which is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the SFA)) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary of the trust is an individual who is an accredited investor,
  - securities (as defined in Section 239(1) of the SFA) of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferred within six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Notes pursuant to an offer made under Section 275 of the SFA except:
- (1) to an institutional investor or to a relevant person defined in Section 275(2) of the SFA, or to any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A) or Section 276(4)(i)(B) of the SFA;
- (2) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (3) where the transfer is by operation of law;
- (4) as specified in Section 276(7) of the SFA.; or
- (5) as specified in Regulation 32 of the Securities and Futures (Offers of Investments) (Shares and Debentures) Regulation 2005 of Singapore.

#### Slovakia

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

No permit for the issue of the Notes has been obtained (including obtaining approval of the terms and conditions of the Notes) from the National Bank of Slovakia (the "NBS") nor is any required under Slovak Act No. 530/1990 Coll., on Bonds (the "Bonds Act"). No approval of a prospectus has been sought or obtained from the NBS under the Slovak Act No. 566/2001 Coll. on Securities and Investment Services and on Amendments or Other Acts, as amended (the "Securities Act") with respect to the Notes. No action has been taken to passport a prospectus approved by the competent authority of the home Member State of the relevant Issuer into Slovakia by delivery of certificate of the competent authority of the home Member State of the relevant Issuer to the NBS attesting that a prospectus approved by the home Member State authority has been drawn up in accordance with law of the European Economic Area.

No application has been filed nor has any permission been obtained for listing nor has any other arrangement for trading the Notes on any regulated market in Slovakia (as defined by the Act No. 429/2002 Coll. on Stock Exchange, as amended (the "Stock Exchange Act")) been made. Accordingly, each of the Dealers represented and agreed that it has not and will not offer, sell or otherwise introduce the Notes for trading in Slovakia in a manner that would require (i) the approval of a prospectus by the NBS or (ii) passporting of a prospectus approved by the competent authority of the home Member State of the relevant Issuer into Slovakia by delivery of certificate of the competent authority of the home Member State of the relevant Issuer to the NBS attesting that a prospectus approved by the home Member State authority has been drawn up in accordance with law of the European Economic Area.

Accordingly, any person making or intending to make any offer within Slovakia of the Notes which are the subject of the placement contemplated in this Base Prospectus should only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for any of the Issuers or any of the Dealers to produce a prospectus for such offer. Neither the Issuers nor the Dealers have authorised, nor do they authorise, the making of any offer of the Notes through any financial intermediary, other than offers made by Dealers which constitute the final placement of the Notes contemplated in this Base Prospectus.

Each Dealer has represented and agreed that it has complied with and will comply with all the requirements of the Securities Act and has not taken, and will not take, any action which would result in the Notes being deemed to have been issued in the Slovak Republic, the issue of the Notes being classed as "accepting of deposits" by the Issuer in the Slovak Republic under Section 2 (2) of Slovak No. 483/2001 Coll., on Banks (as amended) (the "Banks Act") or requiring a permit, registration, filing or notification to the NBS or other authorities in Slovakia in respect of the Notes in accordance with the Securities Act, the Stock Exchange Act, the Bonds Act, the Banks Act or the practice of the NBS.

Each Dealer has represented and agreed that it has complied with and will comply with all the laws of the Slovak Republic applicable to the conduct of business in the Slovak Republic (including the laws applicable to the provision of investment services (within the meaning of the Securities Act) in the Slovak Republic) in respect of the Notes.

Any references to the Bonds Act, the Securities Act, the Stock Exchange Act and the Banks Act are made with respect to the relevant provisions of those laws applicable as of the date of this Base Prospectus and, as may be amended, supplemented or replaced by a new Slovak legislation regulating the same which will become valid and effective after the date of this Base Prospectus.

## Spain

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

The Notes may not be listed, offered, sold or distributed in Spain nor any document or offer material be distributed in Spain or targeted at Spanish resident investors, except in accordance with the requirements set out in Spanish laws transposing the Prospectus Directive, including in particular Royal Legislative Decree 4/2015 of 23 October of the Securities Markets (*Real Decreto Legislativo 4/2015*, *de 23 de octubre*, *por el que se aprueba el texto refundido de la Ley del Mercado de Valores*) as amended and restated (the "Securities Markets Law") and Royal Decree 1310/2005 of 4 November on admission to trading of securities in official secondary markets, public offerings and prospectus (*Real Decreto 1310/2005 de 4 de noviembre*, *por el que se desarrolla parcialmente la Ley 24/1988*, *de 28 de julio*, *de Mercado de Valores*, *en materia de admisión a negociación de valores en mercados secundarios oficiales*, *de ofertas públicas de venta o suscripción y del folleto exigible a tales efectos*), or any other related regulations that may be in force from time to time, as further amended, supplemented or restated.

#### Kingdom of Sweden

### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Reference is made to the general selling restriction for the European Economic Area, however notwithstanding any other provision in this Base Prospectus each Dealer has represented and agreed, and each further Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that it will not, directly or indirectly, offer for subscription or purchase or issue invitations to subscribe for or buy Notes or distribute any draft or final document in relation to any such offer, invitation or sale except in circumstances that will not result in a requirement to prepare a prospectus pursuant to the provisions of the Swedish Financial Instruments Trading Act (Sw. (lag (1991:980) om handel med finansiella instrument)).

# Switzerland

# The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

The Notes issued by the Americas Issuer will not be offered, directly or indirectly, to the public in Switzerland and this Base Prospectus does not constitute a public offering prospectus, as that term is

understood pursuant to art. 652a and art. 1156 of the Swiss Federal Code of Obligations, with respect to such Notes.

The Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer being offered pursuant to this Base Prospectus do not represent units in collective investment schemes. Accordingly, they have not been registered with the FINMA as foreign collective investment schemes, and are not subject to the supervision of the FINMA. Investors cannot invoke the protection conferred under the Swiss legislation applicable to collective investment schemes.

None of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer nor any Dealer has applied for a listing of the Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer being offered pursuant to this Base Prospectus on the SIX Swiss Exchange or on any other regulated securities market in Switzerland other than pursuant to a listing prospectus approved by the SIX Swiss Exchange, and consequently the information presented in this Base Prospectus does not necessarily comply with the information standards set out in the relevant listing rules unless read in conjunction with a listing prospectus approved by the SIX Exchange in respect of a particular issue of Notes by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer.

One or several collective investment scheme(s) may underlie Notes issued by the Global Issuer or the Australian Issuer. Pursuant to the prevailing practice of the FINMA, the offering of such Notes may constitute the indirect distribution in Switzerland of the underlying collective investment scheme(s), as such terms are defined under the Swiss legislation applicable to collective investment schemes and the relevant guideline and practice of the FINMA. The indirect distribution of a collective investment scheme is permissible, provided the collective investment scheme itself fulfils the requirements for distribution to the targeted type of investors, whether qualified or non-qualified investors, under the Swiss legislation and regulations applicable to collective investment schemes registered with FINMA may be distributed in or from Switzerland to non-qualified investors, as such terms are defined under the Swiss legislation applicable to collective investment schemes and the relevant guideline and practice of the FINMA.

#### **Taiwan**

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

The Notes, if listed on the Taipei Exchange for sale to professional or general investors in Taiwan and to the extent permitted by the relevant Taiwan laws and regulations, may be sold in Taiwan to such professional or general investors, as applicable, or, if not listed in Taiwan, may be made available, (i) to Taiwan resident investors outside Taiwan for purchase by such investors outside Taiwan; (ii) to the Offshore Banking Units of Taiwan banks, the Offshore Securities Units of Taiwan securities firms or the Offshore Insurance Units of Taiwan insurance companies purchasing the Notes either for their proprietary account or for the accounts of their non-Taiwan clients; and/or (iii) to investors in Taiwan through licensed financial institutions to the extent permitted under relevant Taiwan laws and regulations, but may not, otherwise be offered, sold or resold in Taiwan.

#### Turkey

# The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Each of the Dealers represents and warrants that the Base Prospectus has not been and will not be submitted for approval to the Turkish Capital Markets Board (the "CMB") under the provisions of the Capital Markets Law No. 6362 of the Republic of Turkey (the "Capital Markets Law").

The Notes (or any beneficial interest therein) issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer shall not be offered or sold in the Republic of Turkey in any circumstances which would constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of the Capital Markets Law and the Communiqué regarding Foreign Securities, Depository Receipts and Foreign Investment Funds Shares (Serial VII No.: 128.4) and no prospectus, or other offering material related to the offering may be utilised in connection with any general offering to the public within the Republic of Turkey for the purpose of the offering, marketing or sale of the Notes without the prior approval of the CMB. Pursuant to Article 15(D)(II) of Decree No. 32 of the Republic of Turkey regarding the protection of the value of the Turkish currency, there is no restriction on the purchase of securities which are traded abroad such as the Notes (or any beneficial interest therein) by residents of the Republic of Turkey, provided that (i) such purchase is made through banks and/or licensed brokerage institutions in the Republic of Turkey and (ii) the consideration of the purchase of such Notes has been or will be transferred through banks operating in the Republic of Turkey.

It is agreed and understood that neither the holder/ the Issuer of the Notes nor any of their respective affiliates, nor any person acting on behalf of any of them or any of their respective affiliates, can engage in any directed marketing or selling efforts within Turkey in connection with the Notes without obtaining CMB's approval.

# **United Kingdom**

#### The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer

Each Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that, with respect to the issue of Notes by the Global Issuer:

- (a) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "FSMA"), with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Notes issued by the Global Issuer in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom; and
- (b) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Notes issued by the Global Issuer in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA would not, if the Global Issuer was not an authorised person, apply to the Global Issuer.

Each Dealer appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree that, with respect to the issue of Notes by the Australian Issuer:

- (i) in relation to any Notes issued which have a maturity of less than one year, (a) it is a person whose ordinary activities involve it in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of its business and (b) it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell any Notes other than to persons whose ordinary activities involve them in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses or who it is reasonable to expect will acquire, hold, manage or dispose of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses where the issue of the Notes would otherwise constitute a contravention of section 19 of the FSMA by the Australian Issuer;
- (ii) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA, with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Notes issued by the Australian Issuer in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom; and
- (iii) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of

section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Notes issued by the Australian Issuer in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA does not or, in the case of the Guarantor, would not, if it was not an authorised person, apply to the Australian Issuer or the Guarantor.

# Uruguay

#### The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

The Notes have not been and will not be registered with the Superintendence of Financial Services ("Superintendencia de Servicios Financieros") of the Central Bank of Uruguay under the Uruguayan Securities Market Law, N°18,627 ("Ley de Mercado de Valores"). The Notes may only be offered in Uruguay by a private placement. This is not a public offering of securities in Uruguay.

#### Venezuela

#### The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

The offering of the Notes is not a public offer. The Notes will not be marketed to the public, particular sectors or groups, directly or indirectly, through any publicity or diffusion means. None of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer nor the offering of the Notes have been registered with the Venezuelan Superintendence of Securities (Superintendencia Nacional de Valores).

Exchange control restrictions apply in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. Such restrictions may limit not only public offers of the Notes, but also the private offer of those Notes within the jurisdiction of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. Private offers of the Notes within the jurisdiction of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela are subject to the applicable exchange control regulations and could eventually be subject to securities regulations in effect in Venezuela.

This offering shall be deemed a private offering and will not be redistributed to the public in general or to a specific group of investors.

Under no circumstance will this private offering be considered as placed from within the jurisdiction of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

# General

#### The Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer

Each Dealer appointed under the Programme by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer will be required to agree that it will (to the best of its knowledge and belief) comply with all applicable securities laws and regulations in force in any jurisdiction in which it purchases, offers, sells or delivers Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) or possesses or distributes this Base Prospectus, any Final Terms or any other offering material relating to the Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) and will obtain any consent, approval or permission required by it for the purchase, offer, sale or delivery by it of Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) under the laws and regulations in force in any jurisdiction to which it is subject or in which it makes such purchases, offers, sales or deliveries and none of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer, the Americas Issuer or any other Dealer shall have any responsibility therefor.

Save as specifically described in this Base Prospectus, none of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer, the Americas Issuer or any of the Dealers represents that Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian

Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) may at any time lawfully be sold in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any jurisdiction, or pursuant to any exemption available thereunder, or assumes any responsibility for facilitating such sale.

With regard to each Tranche of Notes issued by the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer, the relevant Dealer will be required to comply with such other or additional restrictions as the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) and the relevant Dealer shall agree and as shall be set out in the applicable Final Terms.

Certain of the Dealers appointed under the Programme from time to time and/or their respective affiliates have in the past been engaged, and may in the future, from time to time, engage in commercial banking, investment banking and financial advisory and ancillary activities in the ordinary course of their business with the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer or any parties related to any of them, in respect of which they have received, and may in the future receive, customary fees and commissions. In addition, such Dealers and/or their respective affiliates, including, as applicable, their respective asset management affiliates, have in the past held, and may in the future, from time to time, hold positions in shares, bonds or other instruments of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer or any of their respective affiliates or have derivatives related to these instruments.

In connection with a proposed or agreed issue of Notes, the Dealers and any of their respective affiliates, acting as an investor for its own account, may take up Notes and in that capacity may retain, purchase or sell for its own account such securities or related investments and may offer or sell such Notes or other investments otherwise than in connection with the proposed issuance of Notes. Accordingly, references in this Base Prospectus to Notes being offered or placed should be read as including any offering or placement of Notes to any of the Dealers or any of their respective affiliates acting in such capacity.

None of the Dealers appointed under the Programme from time to time intends to disclose the extent of any such investment or transactions otherwise than pursuant to any legal or regulatory obligation to do so. In addition, certain of the Dealers or their affiliates may enter into financing arrangements (including swaps) with investors in connection with which such Dealers (or their affiliates) may from time to time acquire, hold or dispose of Notes. As a result of acting in the capacities described above, the Dealers may have interests that may not be aligned, or could potentially conflict, with investors' and the interests of the Global Issuer, the Australian Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

# Authorisation

The establishment of the Programme and the issue of Notes by the Global Issuer and the issue of Notes by the Australian Issuer thereunder have been duly authorised with respect to the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer by a resolution of the Supervisory Board of the Global Issuer dated 21 February 2005 and by resolutions of the Management Board of the Global Issuer dated 20 June 2005 as lastly superseded by its resolution on 16 August 2010. All consents, approvals, authorisations or other orders of all regulatory authorities required by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer under the laws of The Netherlands and, with respect to the Australian Issuer, under the laws of Australia, have been given (a) for the issue of Notes by the Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer and (b) for the Global Issuer to undertake and perform its obligations under the Global Programme Agreement, the Agency Agreement and the Notes and for the Australian Issuer to undertake and perform its obligations under the Sydney Branch Programme Agreement, the Agency Agreement, the agency and registry services agreement dated as of 20 August 2008 between the Australian Issuer and the Australian Registry Services Agreement") and the Notes.

The establishment of the Programme and the issue of Notes by the Americas Issuer thereunder have been duly authorised by a resolution of the Management Board of the Americas Issuer dated on or about 16 May 2007. All consents, approvals, authorisations or other orders of all regulatory authorities required by the Americas Issuer under the laws of The Netherlands have been given for the issue of Notes by the Americas Issuer and for the Americas Issuer to undertake and perform its obligations under the Americas Programme Agreement, the Agency Agreement and the Notes.

#### **Documents Available**

So long as this Base Prospectus is valid as described in Article 9 of the Prospectus Directive, copies of the following documents will, when published, be available free of charge from the Global Issuer and from the specified office of the Paying Agents. Requests for such documents should be directed to the Global Issuer at Foppingadreef 7, 1102 BD Amsterdam, The Netherlands:

- (i) a copy of the Global Issuer Registration Document;
- (ii) the Agency Agreement (which contains the forms of the Global Notes, the Definitive Notes, the Coupons and the Talons);
- (iii) a copy of this Base Prospectus;
- (iv) each set of Final Terms relating to a Note issued by the Global Issuer (save that Final Terms relating to a Note issued by the Global Issuer for which a prospectus is not required to be published in accordance with the Prospectus Directive will only be available for inspection by a holder of such Note and such holder must produce evidence satisfactory to the Global Issuer or the Paying Agent, as the case may be, as to its holding of Notes and identity); and
- (v) any future supplements to this Base Prospectus and any other documents incorporated herein or therein by reference.

So long as this Base Prospectus is valid as described in Article 9 of the Prospectus Directive, copies of the following documents will, when published, be available free of charge from the Australian Issuer and

from the specified office of the Paying Agents. Requests for such documents should be directed to the Australian Issuer c/o ING Bank N.V. at Foppingadreef 7, 1102 BD Amsterdam, The Netherlands:

- (i) a copy of the Australian Issuer Registration Document;
- (ii) the Agency Agreement (which contains the forms of the Global Notes, the Definitive Notes, the Coupons and the Talons);
- (iii) a copy of this Base Prospectus;
- (iv) each set of Final Terms relating to a Note issued by the Australian Issuer (save that Final Terms relating to a Note issued by the Australian Issuer for which a prospectus is not required to be published in accordance with the Prospectus Directive will only be available for inspection by a holder of such Note and such holder must produce evidence satisfactory to the Australian Issuer or the Paying Agent, as the case may be, as to its holding of Notes and identity);
- (v) any future supplements to this Base Prospectus and any other documents herein or therein by reference; and
- (vi) each Australian Deed Poll relating to the Australian Issuer and each Australian Registry Services Agreement relating to the Australian Issuer.

So long as this Base Prospectus is valid as described in Article 9 of the Prospectus Directive, copies of the following documents will, when published, be available free of charge from the Americas Issuer and from the specified office of the Paying Agents. Requests for such documents should be directed to the Americas Issuer c/o ING Bank N.V. at Foppingadreef 7, 1102 BD Amsterdam, The Netherlands or c/o ING Financial Holdings Corporation, 1325 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019, United States:

- (i) a copy of the Americas Issuer Registration Document;
- (ii) the Americas Issuer Deed of Guarantee and the Agency Agreement (which contains the forms of the Global Notes, the Definitive Notes, the Coupons and the Talons);
- (iii) a copy of this Base Prospectus;
- (iv) each set of Final Terms relating to a Note issued by the Americas Issuer (save that Final Terms relating to a Note issued by the Americas Issuer for which a prospectus is not required to be published in accordance with the Prospectus Directive will only be available for inspection by a holder of such Note and such holder must produce evidence satisfactory to the Americas Issuer or the Paying Agent, as the case may be, as to its holding of Notes and identity); and
- (v) any future supplements to this Base Prospectus and any other documents herein or therein by reference.

# **Clearing Systems**

The Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Notes (other than Australian Domestic Instruments) issued by the Australian Issuer and the Americas Issuer may be cleared through Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Frankfurt, Euroclear Netherlands or such additional or alternative clearing and/or settlement system as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The appropriate identification code for each Tranche or series allocated by Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream, Frankfurt or Euroclear Netherlands will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. In addition, the Registered Notes issued by the Global Issuer and the Americas Issuer may, before issue, be designated as PORTAL securities and the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) may make an application for any Registered Notes

issued by it to be accepted for trading in book entry form by DTC. The CUSIP and/or CINS numbers for each Tranche of Registered Notes and Registered Global Bonds issued by the Global Issuer or the Americas Issuer, together with the relevant ISIN and common code, will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Notes (other than Australian Domestic Instruments) issued by the Australian Issuer or the Americas Issuer are to clear through an additional or alternative clearing and/or settlement system, the appropriate information will be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

The address of Euroclear is 1 Boulevard du Roi Albert II, B-1210 Brussels, Belgium. The address of Clearstream, Luxembourg is 42 Avenue JF Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg, Luxembourg. The address of Clearstream, Frankfurt is Mergenthalerallee 61, 65760 Eschborn, Germany. The address of Euroclear Netherlands is Herengracht 459-469, 1017 BS Amsterdam, The Netherlands. The address of DTC is 55 Water Street, New York, NY 10041 0099, USA.

Australian Domestic Instruments may be cleared through the Austraclear System. The appropriate identification code for each Tranche or series allocated by the Austraclear System will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Australian Domestic Instruments are to clear through an additional or alternative clearing and/or settlement system, the appropriate information will be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

#### **Issue Information**

The issue price and the amount of the relevant Notes will be determined, before filing of the applicable Final Terms of each Tranche, based on the prevailing market conditions. Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Final Terms of a Tranche, the relevant Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information in relation to any issues of Notes.

# Significant or Material Adverse Change

For information on any significant change in the financial or trading position of the relevant Issuer and its consolidated subsidiaries and/or any material adverse change in the prospects of the relevant Issuer, see "General Information – Significant or Material Adverse Change" in the relevant Registration Document.

# Rule 144A(d)(4)

For as long as any of the Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer remain outstanding and are "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(3) under the Securities Act, the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer (as the case may be) will, during any period in which it is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) under the Exchange Act, nor exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under such Act, make available, upon request, to any person in whose name a Restricted Global Note representing Notes issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer is registered, to any owner of a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer, to a prospective purchaser of a Note issued by the Global Issuer and/or the Americas Issuer or beneficial interest therein who is a qualified institutional buyer within the meaning of Rule 144A, and with respect to Notes issued by the Americas Issuer a qualified purchaser, designated by any such person or beneficial owner, or to the Registrar for delivery to any such person, beneficial owner or prospective purchaser, as the case may be, in connection with the resale of a beneficial interest in such Restricted Global Note by such person or beneficial owner, the information specified in Rule 144A(d)(4).

# The EU Credit Rating Agencies Regulation

The Global Issuer and the Australian Issuer each have a senior debt rating from Standard & Poor's, Moody's and Fitch and the Americas Issuer has a senior debt rating from Moody's, details of which are contained in the relevant Registration Document. Standard & Poor's, Moody's and Fitch are established in the European Union and are registered under the CRA Regulation.

The European Securities and Market Association ("ESMA") is obliged to maintain on its website a list of credit rating agencies registered in accordance with the CRA Regulation. This list must be updated within 5 working days of ESMA's adoption of any decision to withdraw the registration of a credit rating agency under the CRA Regulation.

#### Market Information

This Base Prospectus cites market share information published by third parties. The Issuers and the Guarantor have accurately reproduced such third-party information in the Base Prospectus and, as far as the Issuers and the Guarantor are aware and are able to ascertain from information published by these third parties, no facts have been omitted which would render the information reproduced herein to be inaccurate or misleading. Nevertheless, investors should take into consideration that the Issuers and the Guarantor have not verified the information published by third parties. Therefore, the Issuers and the Guarantor do not guarantee or assume any responsibility for the accuracy of the data, estimates or other information taken from sources in the public domain. This Base Prospectus also contains assessments of market data and information derived therefrom which could not be obtained from any independent sources. Such information is based on the Issuers' and the Guarantor's own internal assessments and may therefore deviate from the assessments of competitors of ING or future statistics by independent sources.

#### Calculation of Yield

The yield for any particular Series of Fixed Rate Notes will be specified in the applicable Final Terms and will be calculated on the basis of the compound annual rate of return if the relevant Notes were to be purchased at the Issue Price on the Issue Date and held to maturity. Set out below is the formula for the purposes of calculating the yield of Fixed Rate Notes.

$$\text{Issue Price} = \text{Rate of Interest} \times \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{(1 + \text{Yield})^n}\right)}{\text{Yield}} + \left[\text{Final Redemption Amount} \times \frac{1}{(1 + \text{Yield})^n}\right]$$

Where:

"Rate of Interest" means the Rate of Interest expressed as a percentage as specified in the applicable Final Terms and adjusted according to the frequency i.e. for a semi-annual paying Note, the Rate of Interest is half the stated annualised Rate of Interest in the Final Terms;

"Yield" means the yield to maturity calculated on a frequency commensurate with the frequency of interest payments as specified in the applicable Final Terms; and

"n" means the number of interest payments to maturity.

Set out below is a worked example illustrating how the yield on a Series of Fixed Rate Notes could be calculated on the basis of the above formula. It is provided for purposes of illustration only and should not be taken as an indication or prediction of the yield for any Series of Notes; it is intended merely to illustrate the way which the above formula could be applied.

Where:

$$n = 5$$

Rate of interest = 3.00 per cent.

Issue Price = 104.71 per cent.

Final Redemption Amount = 100 per cent.

$$104.71 = 3.00 \frac{1 - \left[\frac{1}{(1 + \text{Yield})^5}\right]}{\text{Yield}} + \left[100 \times \frac{1}{(1 + \text{Yield})^5}\right]$$

Yield = 2.00 per cent. (calculated by iteration)

The yield specified in the applicable Final Terms in respect of a Series of Fixed Rate Notes will not be indication of future yield.

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