Third quarter 2017 Results

ING Group 3Q17 net profit of EUR 1,376 million

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Key points

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Primary customers drive cross-buy in an ever more mobile world



* 200k additional primary customers due to restatement in 3Q17 in Poland, historical numbers have been restated as of 2015

** 3Q17 numbers not available yet

*** Defined as customers with active payment account and recurring income including one additional product

Share of mobile contacts growing fast

Based on all ING retail contacts per channel



Cross-buy ratio makes good progress





Accelerating our cooperation with fintechs

ING Ventures launched

- ING announced ING Ventures, a EUR 300 mln fund to accelerate the pace of innovation as well as manage our fintech partnerships (currently ~115)
- Over the next four years, the fund will focus on start-ups and companies that already gained some market traction
- As we are not a venture capital firm, each investment will be strictly aligned with our strategy and needs to support services that create a differentiating customer experience

Current fintech investments snapshot



Robo advice partnership



- On 15 September, we started the collaboration with robo advisor Scalable Capital to offer online wealth management services in Germany
- More than 1,000 customers onboarded every week since the start



Preparing our businesses for the world of tomorrow

Material passport for buildings



ING has joined with Madaster, a platform that's devised digital "material passports" for office buildings, which fits within ING's circular economy programme

Sustainability recognition

CLIMATE



ING again awarded a position on this year's **Climate A List**; recognised as global leader in the corporate response to climate change

Recent notable deals and awards

- ING acted as joint mandated lead arranger in the GBP 250 mln bond for Anglian water, the first sterling (GBP) green bond in the public utility sector. ING was also part of the banking syndicate that is providing project financing for one of Australia's largest solar plants
- ING received an award from GlobalCapital for its innovative financing solution for Philips which was the first-ever loan where the interest rate is linked to the company's sustainability performance and rating. Recently, we successfully used a similar deal structure for Bpost, a leading postal operator in Belgium



Strong results delivered 11% underlying return on equity



Underlying return on equity reached 11%



- ING recorded underlying net profit for the first nine months of 2017 of EUR 3,957 mln, up 10.1% on 9M16
- The four-quarter rolling underlying return on equity improved further to 11.0% despite a fully loaded CET1 ratio of 14.5%



* 9M17 underlying ROE based on four-quarter rolling average

Healthy income progression on higher NII and commissions...



- Underlying income grew 2.6% in the first nine months of 2017 versus the same period last year largely driven by a steady increase in net interest income with net core lending growth equating to EUR 20.1 bln (or 3.6% year to date)
- Our primary customer focus underpinned solid commission growth in the first nine months of 2017, up 12.0% year-on-year

...as well as a relatively stable expense base and low risk costs



- Underlying operating expenses have remained broadly flat due a combination of digital investments and higher expenses to support business growth, largely offset by ongoing cost saving initiatives
- Risk costs declined to a low level of EUR 486 mln in the first nine months of 2017, or 21 bps* of average RWA

^{* 9}M17 risk costs over average RWA (in bps) are annualised ** 9M17 cost/income ratio based on four-guarter rolling average

3Q17 results



Strong third-quarter results underpinned by resilient NII



Underlying pre-tax result (in EUR mln)

Net interest income excl. Financial Markets (in EUR mln)



- Underlying result before tax of EUR 1,995 mln, mainly attributable to continued loan growth at stable margins, solid commission income, the annual dividend from Bank of Beijing and low risk costs
- Adjusted for the decision to end some hedge relationships (EUR 91 mln, which was offset by similar decline in other income), NII excluding FM was up 1.4% versus 3Q16 and flat on 2Q17:
 - Higher lending volumes were offset by a lower overall lending margin (but stabilising in 3Q17)
 - Slight decrease in the interest result on customer deposits offset by funding costs in Corporate Line benefiting from the maturity of high-cost legacy bonds



^{*} Adjusted for the decision to end some hedge relationships

Net interest margin up from 2Q17 due to accounting



- Interest margin up from 2Q17 by 6 bps, of which 4 bps was caused by the decision to end some hedge relationships and 2 bps by a higher interest result in Financial Markets
- The interest margin on lending activities stabilised in the quarter, while the margin on savings and current accounts narrowed slightly due to the continued negative impact from the low interest rate environment



Underlying income Financial Markets* (in EUR mln)



Core lending grew by EUR 8.0 bln in 3Q17



Customer lending ING Group 3Q17 (in EUR bln)

- Our core lending franchises grew by EUR 8.0 bln in 3Q17:
 - Retail Banking increased by EUR 3.3 bln, mainly in mortgages outside the Netherlands
 - Wholesale Banking increased by EUR 4.7 bln, largely attributable to General Lending & Transaction Services and to a lesser extent Real Estate Finance



^{*} C&GM is Challengers & Growth Markets; WB Other includes Financial Markets

^{**} Lease run-off was EUR -0.1 bln, WUB run-off was EUR -0.4 bln and WUB transfers to NN were EUR -0.8 bln

^{***} FX impact was EUR -3.8 bln and Other EUR -0.2 bln

Efficiency gains through balance sheet optimisation in C&GM

Core lending and net customer deposit growth (in EUR bln)

Challengers & Growth Markets



Balance sheet optimisation

Challengers & Growth Markets (based on external assets)



- In many of our markets, ING's core lending growth outpaced growth in customer deposits in the previous quarters
- This growth in customer lending helps us to create more sustainable country balance sheets and supports the NIM as we see continued margin pressure from the low rate environment
- Slower net growth in customer deposits does not disrupt momentum in customer acquisition



Bank-wide focus on commission income pays off



- Commission income rose 6.3% year-on-year to EUR 643 mln. The increase was driven by almost all segments and products, with the relatively strongest growth in Retail Challengers & Growth Markets and Retail Netherlands
- 2Q17 was an exceptionally strong quarter for Retail Belgium (investment products) and Wholesale Banking

Initiatives to drive fee income growth

Lending fees	 Acceleration of Consumer Lending Volume growth in SME/MidCorp Wholesale Banking growth in Industry Lending and General Lending
Fee products	 Offer more investment products, e.g. via robo advice Insurance distribution linked to lending and stand-alone via mobile Increase Financial Markets fee revenue via Debt Capital Markets
Payment fees	 Review of daily banking fees across our different markets Selectively increase lending and payment fees to corporate clients
New sources	 E.g. referral of loans to third parties, comparison engines, attracting third parties to our platforms



Operating expenses down quarter-on-quarter



Underlying operating expenses (in EUR mln)

- Compared to the second quarter of 2017, total expenses declined by EUR 22 mln, or 1.0% despite a EUR 25 mln increase in regulatory costs
- Regulatory costs were EUR 29 mln higher than in 3Q16 which included a release of DGS contributions in Germany

Regulatory costs experience seasonality (in EUR mln)



4-quarter rolling cost/income ratio broadly stable





Risk costs down in 3Q17; NPLs remain favourably low



- Retail Netherlands
- 3Q17 risk costs were EUR 124 mln, or 16 bps of average RWA, well below the 40-45 bps through-the-cycle average
- Retail Benelux risk costs were substantially lower again due to improved macro-economic and housing market conditions
- In Wholesale Banking, risks costs decreased quarter-on-quarter as a result of a limited number of increases, partially offset by some significant releases



ING's capital position a strong foundation for the future



ING Group 3Q17 fully loaded capital ratios*

- ING Group's 3Q17 fully loaded CET1 ratio was stable at 14.5% as the inclusion of EUR 0.5 bln of net profit and positive risk migration was offset by an increase in risk-weighted assets due to lending growth and higher operational RWA
- Like in the previous two quarters, ING reserved an amount equal to one third of the 2016 total dividend
- The final dividend proposed will reflect considerations including expected future capital requirements, growth opportunities, net earnings and regulatory developments



^{*} ING Group fully loaded capital ratios are based on RWAs of EUR 311.0 bln and include grandfathered securities

^{** 3}Q17 Group net profit of EUR 1,376 mln of which EUR 853 mln set aside for dividends and the remainder (EUR 523 mln) added to CET1 capital

Ambition 2020 – ING Group Financial Targets

		Actual 2016	Actual 9M17	Ambition 2020*
Capital	• CET1 ratio (%)	14.2%	14.5%	> Prevailing fully loaded requirements**
cupitut	• Leverage ratio (%)	4.8%	4.5%	> 4%
Profitability	Underlying C/I ratio (%)***	54.2%	53.8%	50-52%
Frontability	 Underlying ROE (%)*** (IFRS-EU Equity) 	10.1%	11.0%	Awaiting regulatory clarity
Dividend	• Dividend (per share)	EUR 0.66		Progressive dividend over time

* Ambition 2020 financial targets based on assumption of low-for-longer interest rate environment in the Eurozone

** Currently estimated to be 11.8%, plus a comfortable management buffer (to include Pillar 2 Guidance)

*** Based on 4-quarter rolling average; the ING Group ROE is calculated using IFRS-EU shareholders' equity after excluding 'interim profit not included in CET1 capital'. As at 30 September 2017, this comprised EUR 2,559 mln of the 9M17 interim profits (which is equal to the dividend paid over 2016) minus the interim dividend of EUR 933 mln paid in August



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Appendix



Strong 3Q17 result; volatile items broadly neutral in the quarter



- Excluding volatile items and regulatory costs, 3Q17 pre-tax result up 8.9% from 3Q16 and 5.1% versus 2Q17:
 - Robust net interest income and solid fee income progression (albeit fees lower than in the exceptionally strong previous quarter)
 - Relatively stable underlying expenses and low level of risk costs of EUR 124 mln or 16 bps of average RWA

* 2Q17 one-time gain relates to the sale of an equity stake in the real-estate run-off portfolio (EUR 97 mln)



Retail and Wholesale Banking show resilient performance



Underlying pre-tax result Retail Banking (in EUR mln)





Underlying pre-tax result Wholesale Banking (in EUR mln)



9M17 underlying pre-tax result by Wholesale Banking segment





Group CET1 ratio at 14.5% and Group ROE at 11.0%

Group fully loaded CET1 ratio development during 3Q17 (amounts in EUR bln and %)

	Capital	RWA	Ratio	Change
Actuals June 2017	44.9	310.3	14.5%	
Net profit included in CET1*	0.5			+0.17%
Equity stakes	-0.1	-0.2		-0.02%
FX	-0.3	-2.6		+0.04%
RWA & Other**		3.5		-0.18%
Actuals September 2017	45.0	311.0	14.5%	+0.01%

Changes to Group ROE calculation in 3Q17 (in EUR mln)

As of 30 September 2017	
IFRS-EU shareholders' equity	49,770
deduct: Interim profit not included in CET1 capital***	1,626
Adjusted shareholders' equity	48,144
Adjusted shareholders' equity (4Q-rolling average)	48,706
Adjusted shareholders' equity (4Q-rolling average) Underlying net result (last four quarters)	48,706 5,338

* 3Q17 Group net profit (EUR 1,376 mln) partly reserved for dividends (EUR 853 mln) and remainder included in Group CET1 capital (EUR 523 mln)

** Group CET1 includes the negative impact of volume growth (-16 bps), Operational RWA (-13 bps), model updates (-8 bps) and other items (-2 bps) which were only partly offset by the positive impact from risk migration (+17 bps) and lower Market RWA (+4 bps) *** The 9M17 interim profit not included in CET1 (EUR 1,626 million) which equals the dividend paid over 2016 (EUR 2,559 mln) minus the interim dividend paid in August (EUR 933 mln)

**** Impact of the adjustment of shareholders' equity, by deducting interim profit not included in CET1 capital in 3Q17, is approx. 27 bps on the 4Q-rolling average Group ROE



Further client savings rate adjustments in our home markets

Few more savings rate adjustments in the quarter...

- In 3Q17, we reduced Dutch savings rates by 5 bps after earlier adjustments in the first two quarters of the year
- In addition, there was a core savings rate adjustment in Austria on 1 August (-15 bps) and in Germany (-10 bps) mid-August
- Further adjustments in 4Q17 in Netherlands (-5 bps) on 1 October and in Spain (-5 bps) on 1 November

...and we have several other levers to stabilise NIM

- Continue growth in higher margin lending without changing our risk appetite
- Further balance sheet optimisation
- Asset repricing may provide support in future years



Core client savings rates

* Rate for savings up to EUR 75,000 is 5 bps, for savings volumes between EUR 75,000 and EUR 1,000,000 it is 10 bps

** Unweighted average core savings rates in France, Italy and Spain; incorporates core savings rate adjustment (-5 bps) in Spain on 1 November

Lending credit outstandings are well-diversified







- ING has a well-diversified and collateralised loan book with a strong focus on own-originated mortgages
- 64% of the portfolio is retail-based

* 30 September 2017 lending and money market credit outstandings, including guarantees and letters of credit, but excluding undrawn committed exposures (off-balance sheet positions)



Wholesale Banking lending credit outstandings well-diversified by geography and sector

Loan portfolio is well diversified across geographies...

Lending Credit O/S Wholesale Banking (3Q17)*





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	🗖 Japan
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	Hong Kong
	Singapore
	South Korea
	Taiwan
	India
	Rest of Asia

...and sectors

Lending Credit O/S Wholesale Banking (3Q17)*



Builders & Contractors
Central Banks
Commercial Banks
Non-Bank Financial Institutions
Food, Beverages & Personal Care
General Industries
Natural Resources Oil & Gas
Natural Resources Other****
Real Estate
Services
Telecom, Media & Technology
Transportation & Logistics
Utilities
Other

* Data is based on country of residence; Lending Credit O/S include guarantees and letters of credit

** Member countries of the European Economic Area (EEA)

*** Excluding our stake in Bank of Beijing (EUR 2.4 bln at 30 September 2017)

**** Mainly Metals & Mining



Detailed NPL disclosure on selected lending portfolios

Selected lending portfolios

	Lending credit O/S 3Q17	NPL ratio 3Q17	Lending credit O/S 2Q17	NPL ratio 2Q17	Lending credit O/S 3Q16	NPL ratio 3Q16
Wholesale Banking	227,714	2.3%	225,566	2.4%	215,779	2.4%
Industry Lending	127,232	2.6%	127,907	2.6%	121,257	2.4%
Of which Structured Finance	96,289	2.9%	98,084	2.8%	92,941	2.3%
Of which Real Estate Finance	30,943	1.6%	29,823	1.9%	28,316	2.9%
Selected industries*						
Oil & Gas related	34,041	3.8%	34,287	3.6%	31,335	2.5%
Metals & Mining**	14,535	5.2%	14,529	5.0%	13,885	5.6%
Shipping & Ports***	12,756	6.5%	13,452	6.8%	13,498	4.9%
Selected countries						
Turkey****	16,876	2.6%	17,035	2.5%	18,875	2.5%
China****	8,910	0.0%	7,934	0.0%	6,148	0.0%
Russia	4,778	2.8%	4,946	3.0%	5,614	2.8%
Ukraine	939	50.6%	953	51.6%	1,138	56.1%

* Includes WB Industry Lending, General Lending (CFIL) and Transaction Services
 ** Excluding Ukrainian and Russian Metals & Mining exposure, the NPL ratio would be 2.1%
 *** Shipping & Ports includes Coastal and Inland Water Freight which is booked within Retail Netherlands. Excluding this portfolio, NPL ratio is 3.6%
 **** Turkey includes Retail Banking activities (EUR 8.9 bln)
 ***** China exposure is excluding Bank of Beijing stake



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