

ING closes sale of its Swiss Private Banking business

ING announced today that it has completed the sale of its Swiss Private Banking business to Julius Baer, the leading pure-play Swiss Private Banking group.

As announced on 7 October 2009, the divestment is in line with ING's Back to Basics strategy to focus on fewer franchises and reduce the complexity of the group.

The transaction will generate an estimated net profit for ING of approximately EUR 150 million. ING Private Banking in the Benelux and Central Eastern Europe remain part of the core business of the Bank.

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ING Profile

ING is a global financial institution of Dutch origin offering banking, investments, life insurance and retirement services. As of 30 September 2009, ING served more than 85 million private, corporate and institutional clients in more than 40 countries. With a diverse workforce of about 110,000 people, ING is dedicated to setting the standard in helping our clients manage their financial future.

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