## **Third Quarter 2014 Results**

ING posts 3Q14 underlying net profit Banking of EUR 1,123 mln

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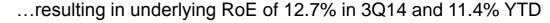
## Key points

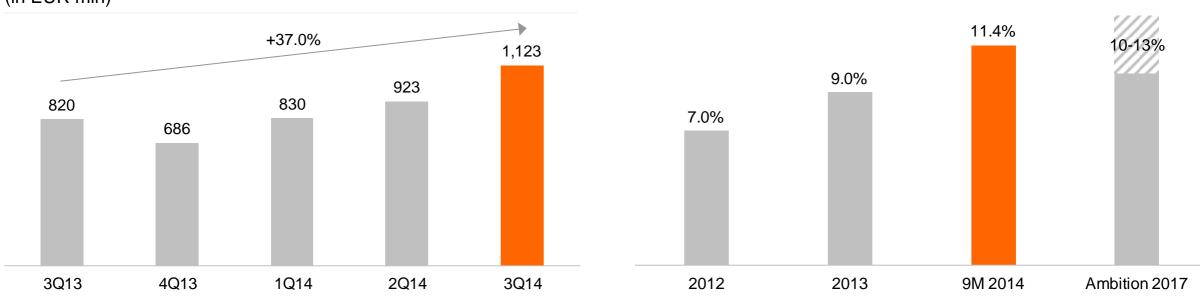
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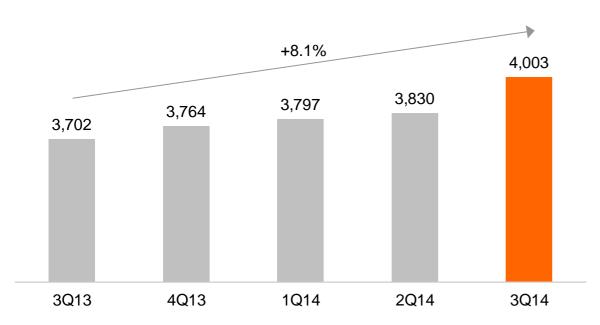


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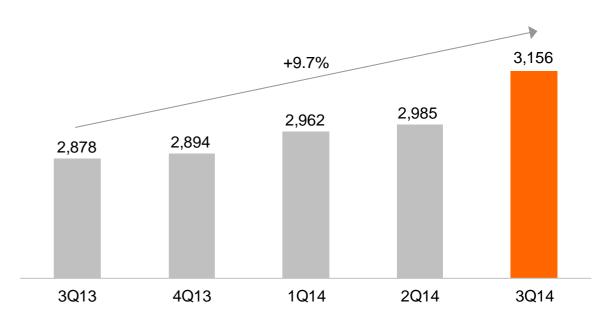
## Strong rise in underlying income spurred by net interest income

### Underlying income excluding CVA/DVA and Vysya\* (in EUR mln)



 Excluding CVA/DVA impacts and Vysya, income rose by 8.1% from 3Q13 and 4.5% from 2Q14, supported by a strong increase in net interest income

### Net interest income excluding Vysya (in EUR mln)



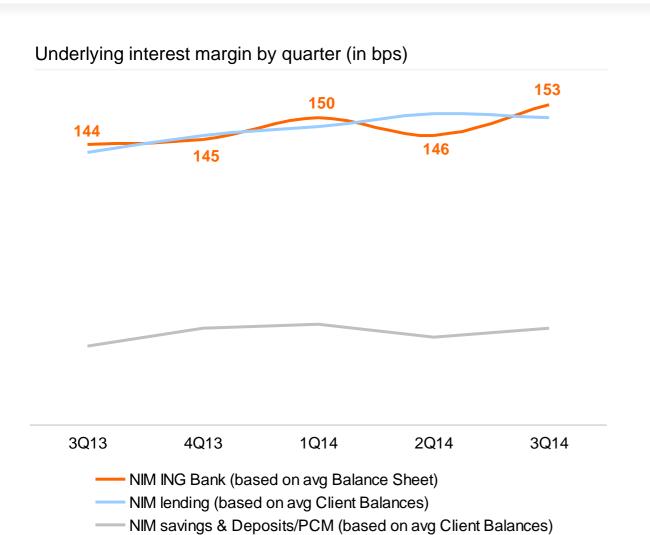
- Excluding Vysya and the negative one-off in the Corporate Line in 2Q14, net interest income rose 9.7% from 3Q13 and 4.0% from 2Q14 driven by higher margins on savings and higher volumes as well as higher net interest results in Financial Markets
- Growth interest results especially in Retail Germany, Retail Netherlands and Rest of Europe

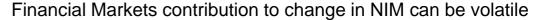
<sup>\*</sup> Reported underlying income was EUR 3,942 mln in 3Q14, EUR 3,781 mln in 2Q14 and EUR 3,774 mln in 3Q13, resulting in reported income growth of 4.5% from 3Q13 and 4.3% from 2Q14

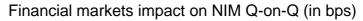


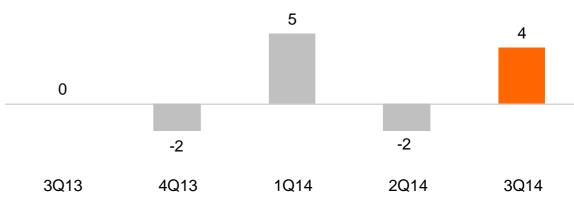


# Net interest margin rose to 153 bps due to higher margins on savings and stronger contribution from Financial Markets









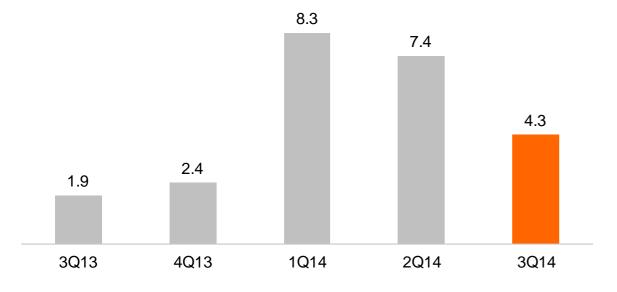
- Net interest margin up from 146 bps in 2Q14 to 153 bps in 3Q14, driven by higher net interest results in Corporate Line (negative one-off in 2Q14) and Financial Markets which is volatile by nature
- Savings margins up from 2Q14, reflecting the reduction in client savings rates more than offsetting - at least for this quarter - the low interest rate environment
- Lending margins decreased slightly from 2Q14 due to slightly lower margins in the lending business of Commercial Banking
- ING has further reduced the client savings rates in October 2014 in the Netherlands and France



## Our consistent customer focus contributed to robust business growth

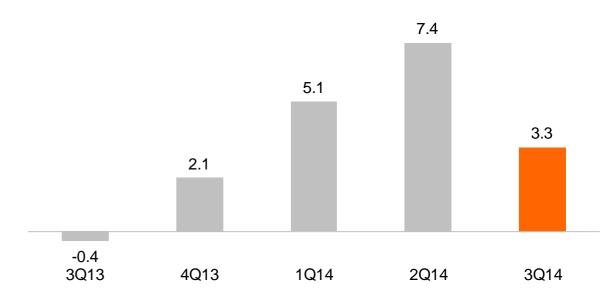
### Strong deposit gathering ability and...

Net inflow in funds entrusted, excl. FX (Client Balances, in EUR bln)



### ...continuing positive net lending growth

Net lending growth, excl. FX and transfers to NN (Client Balances, in EUR bln)

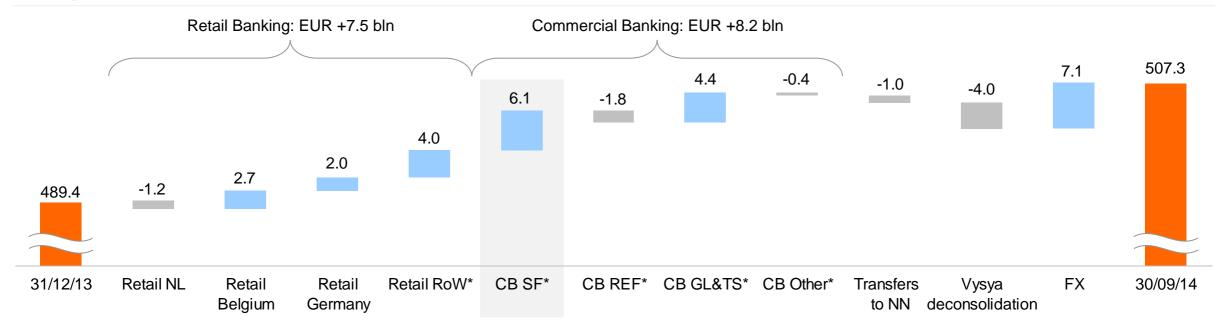


- Net inflow of Funds Entrusted was EUR 4.3 bln in 3Q14
- Net lending growth, excl. FX and additional transfers of WUB mortgages to NN Group, was EUR 3.3 bln in 3Q14, primarily in Structured Finance, General Lending and residential mortgages generated outside the Netherlands



## Net lending rose by EUR 15.8 bln in 9M14, in line with 4% growth target

### Lending Assets ING Bank, 9M14 (Client Balances, in EUR bln)



Net lending, excluding the impact of FX, asset transfers and deconsolidation of Vysya, increased by EUR 15.8 bln in 9M 2014

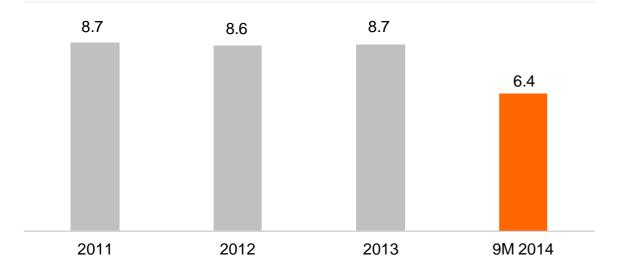
- Retail Banking increased EUR 7.5 bln driven by all regions outside the Netherlands across all asset classes
- Commercial Banking rose EUR 8.2 bln, principally by Structured Finance and General Lending, despite reduction of exposure to Russia Increase in Transaction Services mainly visible in Working Capital Solutions and Trade Finance Services



<sup>\*</sup> RoW is Rest of the World; SF is Structured Finance; REF is Real Estate Finance; GL&TS is General Lending & Transaction Services; Other includes Lease run-off

## ING continues to be vigilant on costs...

### Expenses are expected to remain flat this year (in EUR bln)



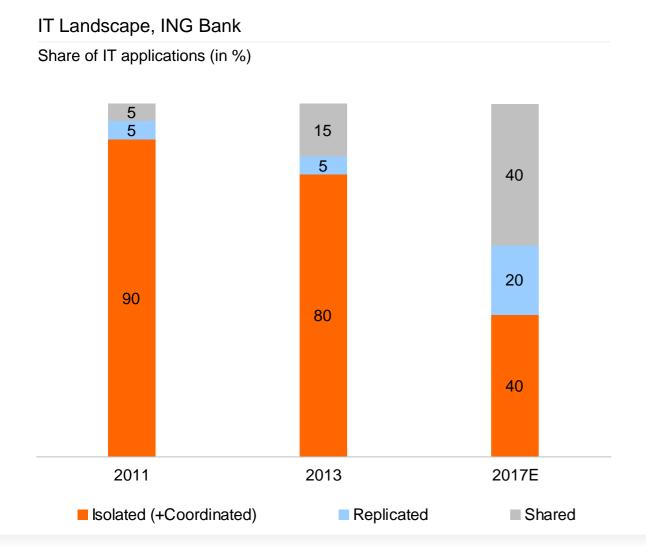
### Restructuring programmes on track (in EUR mln)

	Cost savings achieved	Cost savings by 2017
Retail Banking NL	328	480
ING Bank Belgium	79	160
Commercial Banking	173	315
Total Bank	580	955

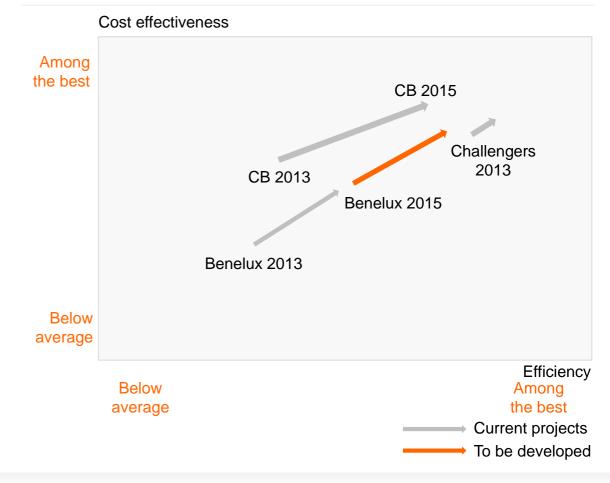
- Underlying expenses reported were up 0.7% from 3Q13 and 1.7% from 2Q14
- Excluding Vysya and the Belgian bank taxes reported in 3Q13, operating expenses rose 3.2% from 3Q13, mainly due to higher pension
  costs, business growth in Retail International and Industry Lending as well as higher expenses on the Corporate Line
- The reported underlying cost/income ratio was 54.1% in 3Q14 and 55.5% YTD
- The Dutch bank tax will be fully recognised in the fourth quarter and is expected at approximately EUR 140 mln



### ...while improving systems and processes to deliver better service



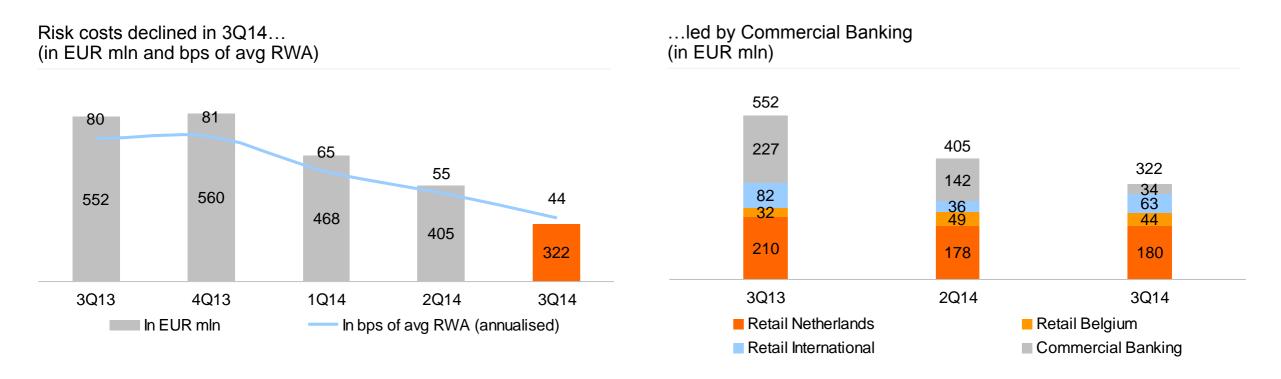
Further reduction of complexity of IT platforms mainly required in the Benelux







## Risk costs decreased in 3Q14, led by Commercial Banking

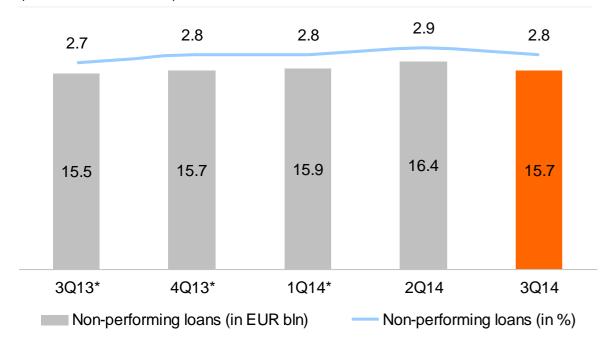


- Risk costs Commercial Banking declined to EUR 34 mln in 3Q14, flattered by a release on a larger file
- Risk costs in Retail Banking were slightly up from the previous quarter



### NPL ratio declined slightly to 2.8%

Non-performing loans excl. deconsolidation Vysya (in % and EUR bln)



NPL ratio (	in %)
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	3Q14	2Q14
Retail Banking		
- Dutch Mortgages	2.0	2.0
- Business Lending NL	7.8	7.8
- Retail Belgium	3.2	3.2
- Retail International	1.2	1.4
Commercial Banking		
- Structured Finance	2.0	2.0
- RE Finance	10.5	11.1
- General Lending & TS	1.9	2.0
- Lease run-off	19.8	18.1
Other Retail and Commercial Banking		
- Other RB and CB	2.8	2.5
Total / average	2.8	2.9

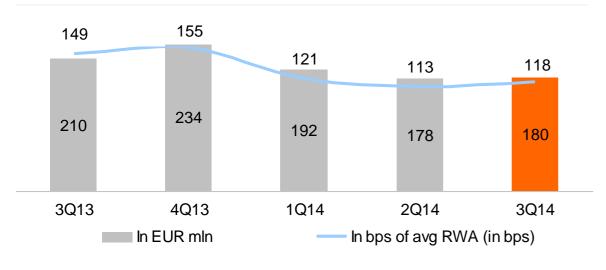
- The NPL ratio declined slightly to 2.8% in 3Q14, driven by a 4.1% drop in non-performing loans
- The amount of NPLs decreased in both Commercial Banking and Retail Banking, partly due to sale of non-performing loans



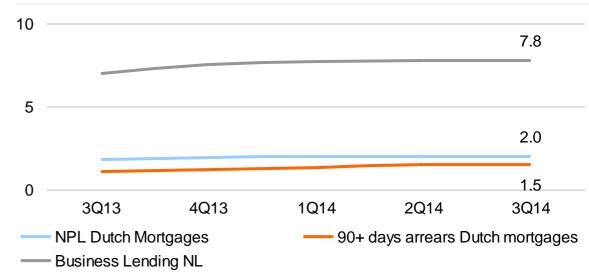
<sup>\* 3</sup>Q13-1Q14 are restated for the deconsolidation of Vysya

## Risk costs Retail Banking Netherlands stable from 2Q14 and expected to remain elevated

## Risk costs Retail Banking NL (in EUR mln and as % of avg RWA)







Risk costs Retail Banking NL expected to remain elevated

- Risk costs for Dutch mortgages were EUR 62 mln, down from EUR 82 mln in 3Q13 and EUR 68 mln in 2Q14
- Risk costs for Business Lending were EUR 104 mln and the NPL ratio was 7.8%, both stable from 2Q14



## Strong result ING Bank driven by both Retail and Commercial Banking



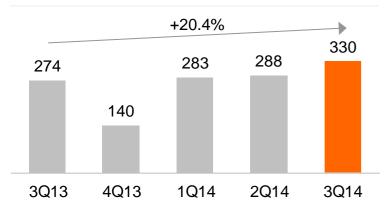
- Underlying pre-tax result was EUR 1,486 mln in 3Q14, up 34.7% from 3Q13 and 16.3% from 2Q14
  - Retail Banking posted a much improved result driven by higher interest income and stable expenses
  - Commercial Banking reported a strong performance with Structured Finance delivering another good result and risk costs down to EUR 34 mln



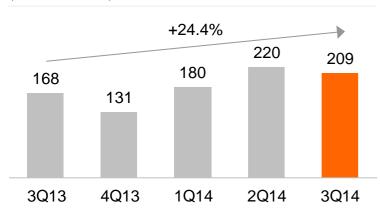
<sup>\*</sup> Pre-tax result Commercial Banking including CVA/DVA was EUR 677 mln in 3Q14, EUR 471 mln in 3Q13 and EUR 605 mln in 2Q14

### Retail Banking showed improved results in all segments

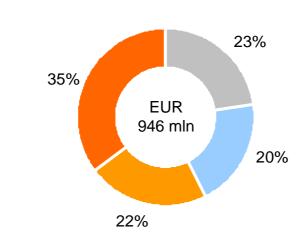
## Pre-tax result Retail Netherlands (in EUR mln)



Pre-tax result Retail Belgium (in EUR mln)

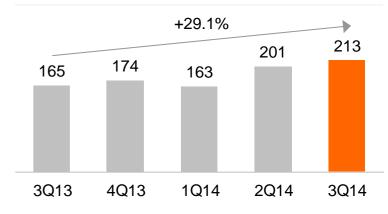


## Pre-tax result by segment (in EUR mln)

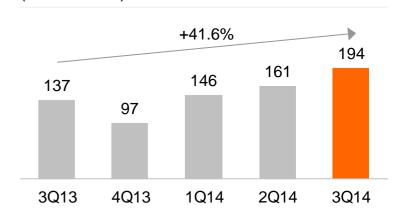


- Retail Netherlands
- Retail Belgium
- Retail Germany
- Retail Rest of the World

## Pre-tax result Retail Germany (in EUR mln)



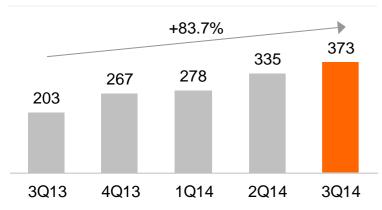
Pre-tax result Retail Rest of the World (in EUR mln)



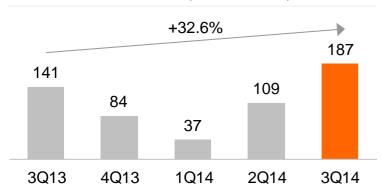


## Improved results Commercial Banking driven by lending businesses

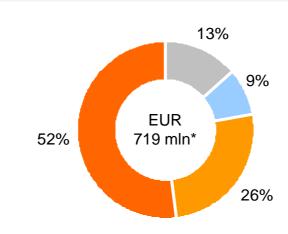
## Pre-tax result Industry Lending (in EUR mln)



Pre-tax result General Lending & Transaction Services (in EUR mln)

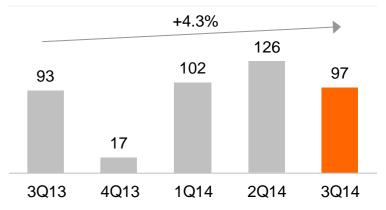


## Pre-tax result by segment excl. CVA/DVA (in EUR mln)



- Industry Lending
- General Lending & Transaction Services
- Financial Markets excl. CVA/DVA
- Bank Treasury, Real Estate & Other

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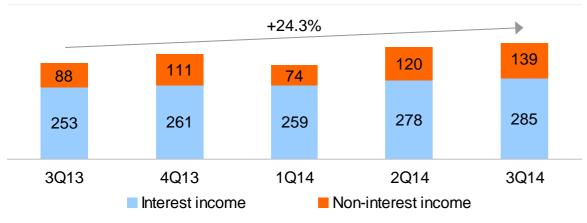
- Revenues, excl. CVA/DVA, rose 4.0% from 3Q13 due to a strong performance in Structured Finance, and declined 4.0% from 2Q14, due to lower income in Bank Treasury and Financial Markets
- Expenses down from both 3Q13 and 2Q14
- Cost/income ratio improved to 44.1%
- Risk costs were down, partly due to a release on a larger file



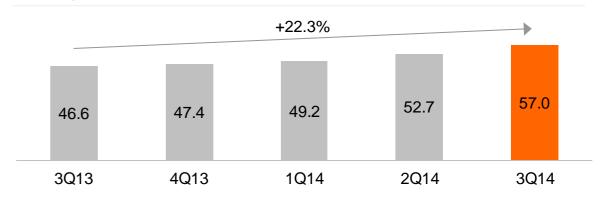
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## Structured Finance: another strong quarter supported by volume growth

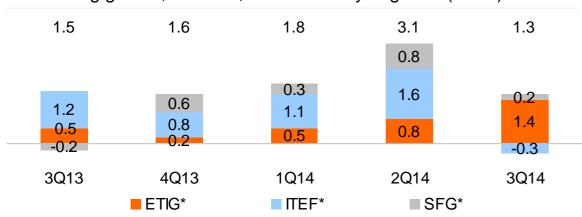
### Structured Finance income (in EUR mln)



### Lending assets (in EUR bln)



### Net lending growth, excl. FX, breakdown by segment (in bln)

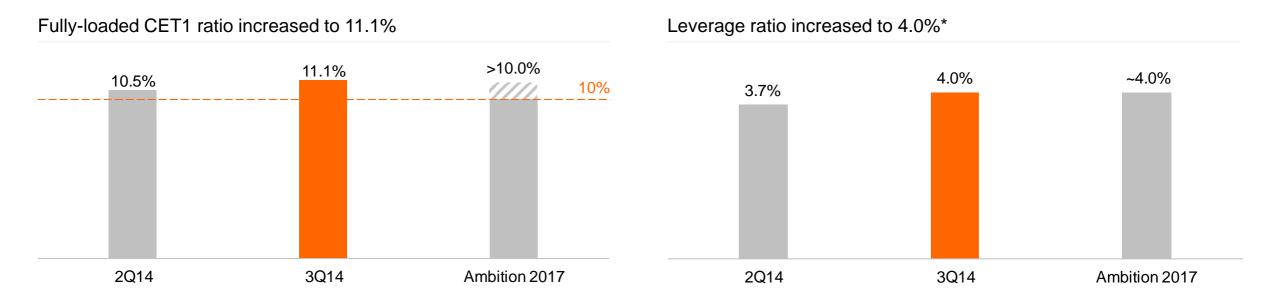


- Revenues Structured Finance grew 24.3% from 3Q13 and 6.5% from 2Q14, reflected in higher interest income and commission income, supported by strong volume growth
- Lending assets grew 22.3% from 3Q13 and 8.2% from 2Q14. At constant FX, lending assets grew by 2.7% from 2Q14
- Net lending assets, excl. FX, grew by EUR 1.3 bln in 3Q14, particularly in ETIG\* which are longer-term assets. Net lending assets in ITEF\*, which are shorter-term assets, declined in 3Q14
- RoE (based on CET1 of 10%) was 24.5% in 3Q14 and 22.2% YTD



<sup>\*</sup> Energy, Transport and Infrastructure Group (ETIG), International Trade and Export Finance (ITEF) and Specialised Financing Group (SFG)

## Bank fully-loaded CET1 ratio improved to 11.1%



- ING Bank's pro-forma CET1 ratio on a fully loaded basis increased to 11.1% due to retained earnings and higher revaluation reserves
- As communicated at the Investor Day on 31 March, ING Bank targets a CET1 ratio of more than 10%, including a comfortable buffer
- ING Bank's leverage ratio increased to 4.0% due to retained earnings and transfer of perpetual hybrids from Insurance to Bank\*
- ING publishes its Group CET1 phased-in ratio for the first time, reporting a 13.2% in 3Q14

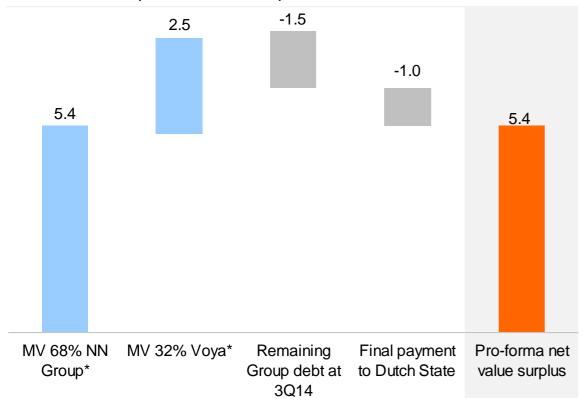
<sup>\*</sup> The calculation of our leverage ratio has been aligned with the published IFRS balance sheet including off-balance sheet commitments. However, there continues to be regulatory uncertainty as existing legislation, formulated in the CRR, will be replaced by the Delegated Act following adoption by the EC. In addition, the treatment of notional cash pool activities in calculating the exposure measure is uncertain





## Surplus at Group level enables us to accelerate final payment to the Dutch State

#### Comfortable surplus at ING Group level



Surplus enables us to repay the Dutch State early

- We will pay the final tranche to the Dutch State on 7 November
- Upon completion, total payments to the Dutch State amounted to 135% of the capital support received, giving the State an average annualised return of 12.7%
- Surplus at Group level amounts to EUR 5.4 bln after final payment to the Dutch State
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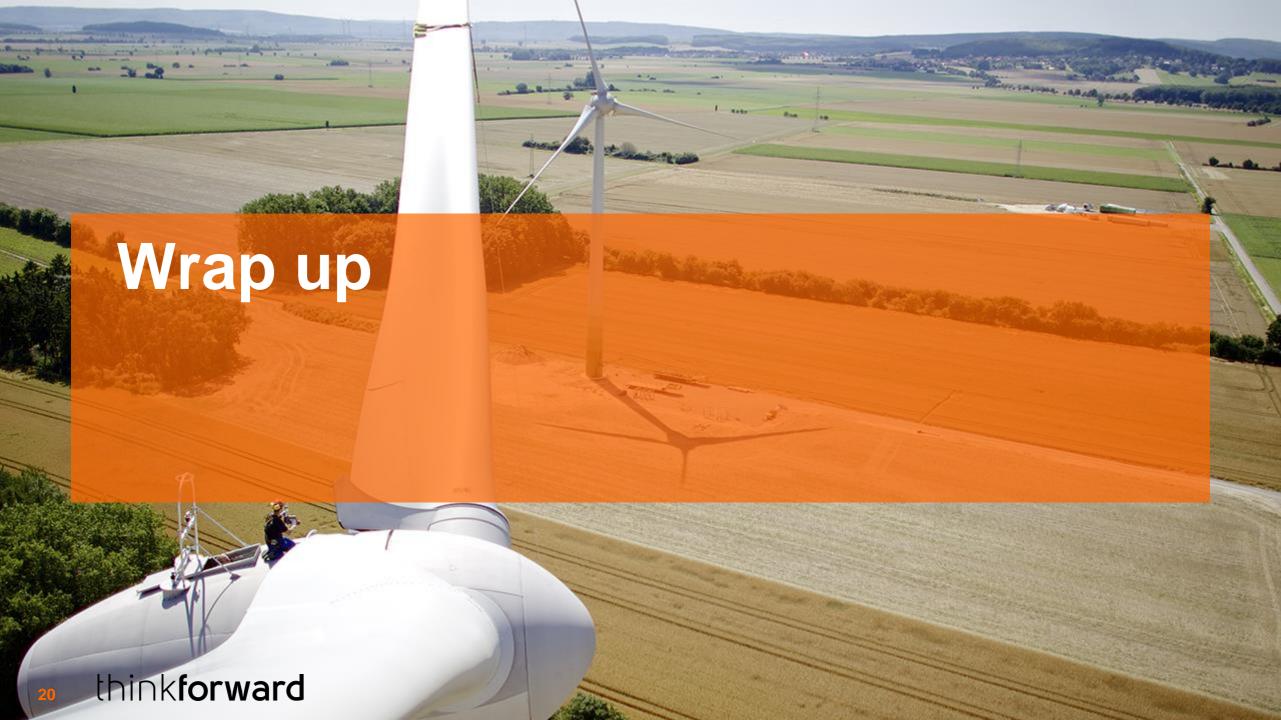
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# We reiterate our intention to resume regular dividend payments to our shareholders from Bank earnings as of 2015

	Ambition 2017	9M 2014	Guidance
CET1 (CRD IV)	>10%	11.1%	<ul> <li>Target fully-loaded CET1 ratio remains &gt;10%, but it is prudent to maintain a comfortable buffer above the minimum to absorb regulatory changes and potential volatility</li> </ul>
Leverage	~4%	4.0%	Approximately 4% leverage ratio; awaiting final regulations
C/I	50-53%	55.5%*	<ul> <li>Aim to reach 50-53% cost/income ratio in 2016. Over time, improve further towards the lower-end of the range</li> </ul>
RoE (IFRS-EU equity)	10-13%	11.4%	RoE target range maintained at 10-13% based on IFRS-EU equity (absorbing capital buffer)
Dividend pay-out	>40%		<ul> <li>Target dividend pay-out &gt;40% of Bank net profit, to be paid as of 2015</li> </ul>

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding the volatile CVA/DVA impact, the cost/income ratio was 54.6% in 9M 2014





### Wrap up

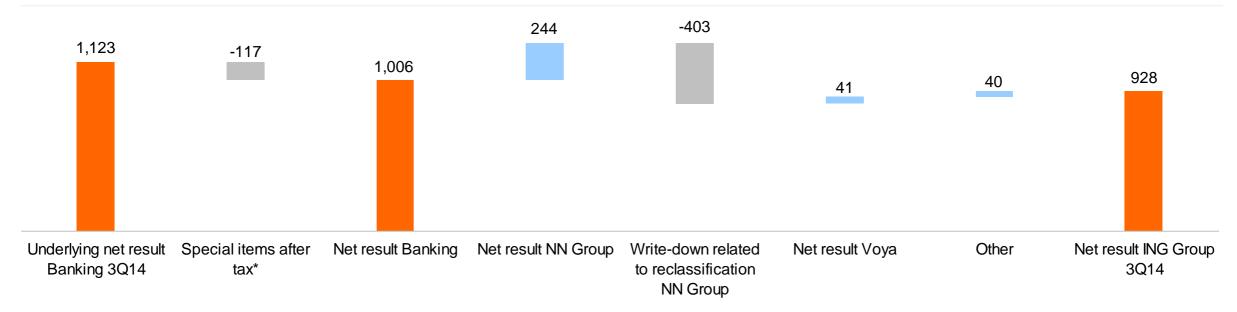
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## NN Group reclassified as 'held for sale' and 'discontinued operations'

### Net result ING Group includes net results NN Group and Voya (in EUR mln)



- NN Group reclassified as 'held for sale' and 'discontinued operations' led to write-down of goodwill and other non-current assets of EUR 403 mln
- Net result of NN Group was EUR 354 mln in 3Q14 and EUR 244 mln after deducting 31.9% minority interest
- Net result ING Group was EUR 928 mln, including special items and insurance businesses, up from EUR 128 mln in 3Q13 and down from EUR 1,067 mln in 2Q14



<sup>\*</sup> Special items after tax of EUR 117 mln includes final payment SNS levy of EUR 101 mln

## Reported and pro-forma ING Group capital structure at 30 September 2014

### Reported ING Group capital structure - ING Group 30 September 2014

ING Bank	37	Equity	47
NN Group (68%)	12	CT1 securities	1
Voya (32%)	2	Group Debt	2
Hybrids <sup>B</sup>	6	Hybrids	6
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 Pro-forma capital structure reflects final payment to the Dutch State funded from ING Group resources

### Illustrative calculation of impact deconsolidation NN Group

- We will divest our remaining 68.1% stake in NN Group over time, while maintaining an orderly market
- ~9% stake represented by Notes and EUR 0.9 bln provision for these yet-to-be-exchanged Notes, already taken following IPO
- Upon deconsolidation, the divestment result will reflect ING Group's remaining share (at transaction date) in the difference between the carrying value of NN Group and the market value
- Assuming full deconsolidation and share price NN Group of EUR 22.8 at 31 October 2014
  - Total impact on Group Equity of approximately EUR -6 bln, consisting of:
  - Difference between 68.1% MV of EUR 5.4 bln and 68.1% 3Q14 BV of EUR 12.5 bln
  - EUR -0.9 bln anchor provision taken in 3Q14
  - EUR -0.4 bln loss on classification as HfS taken in 3Q14
  - Total P/L impact of approximately EUR -1 bln. This reflects ING's approximately EUR 5 bln share in the positive revaluation reserves
  - This will cause the capital of the Group and the Bank to converge

<sup>\*</sup> The IPO of NN Group had a negative impact on shareholders' equity of ING Group of EUR 4,264 mln (booked in 3Q14), of which EUR 1,012 mln for the 2nd and 3rd tranche of the mandatorily exchangeable notes in 2015/16. The difference between the market value and estimated IFRS carrying value of these notes has been deducted from pro-forma Group equity through a provision.





## CRD IV common equity Tier 1 ratio fully-loaded 11.1%

### Impact CRD IV 3Q2014 (in EUR bln)

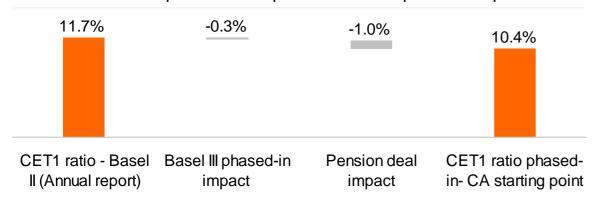
	Common equity Tier 1 capital	RWAs	Common equity Tier 1 ratio
30 September 2014 (Phased-in)	33.0	294.9	11.2%
Defined benefit pension fund assets	-0.4		
Intangibles	-1.3		
DTA	-0.2		
Loan loss provision shortfall	-1.1		
Other	-0.5		
Revaluation reserve debt securities	+1.5		
Revaluation reserve equity securities	+1.5		
Revaluation reserve real estate own use	+0.3		
Pro-forma common equity Tier 1 ratio (fully loaded)	32.8	294.9	11.1%

- ING Bank's common equity Tier 1 ratio (CET1 ratio) on a fully-loaded basis rose to 11.1% from 10.5% at the end of June, mainly due to retained
  earnings and higher revaluation reserves
- ING Bank's CET1 ratio (phased-in) rose to 11.2% in 3Q14 up from 10.8% at the end of June 2014, mainly due to net profits and FX hedge
  partly offset by EUR 1.5 billion higher RWA

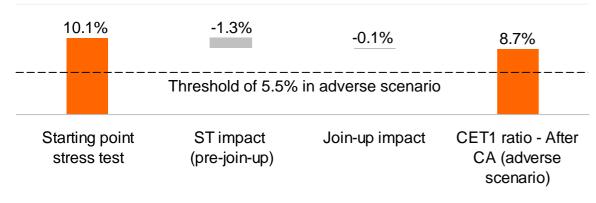


## ING has comfortably passed the Asset Quality Review and stress test

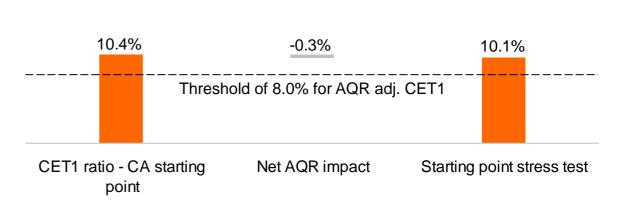
The starting point of the AQR was the 4Q13 CET1 ratio adjusted for the 1Q14 Basel III phased-in impact and Dutch pension impact



In the adverse scenario of the stress test, CET1 capital only declined by 1.3%-point, comfortably above the threshold of 5.5%



### The AQR impact on CET1 phased-in was limited



- The CET1 ratio impact of the AQR is -0.3%-point, mainly due to Loan Loss Provision (LLP) adjustments per 31 December 2013
- In the adverse scenario of the Stress Test, in which a significant deterioration of the economy is assumed, the CET1 ratio drops by only 1.3%-point, mainly due to higher credit RWA as a result of negative rating migration
- In addition, there is a -0.1%-point impact of extrapolation (join up) of the AQR results to the Stress Test results



# The record low ECB rate and low interest rate environment were followed by reductions in client savings rates

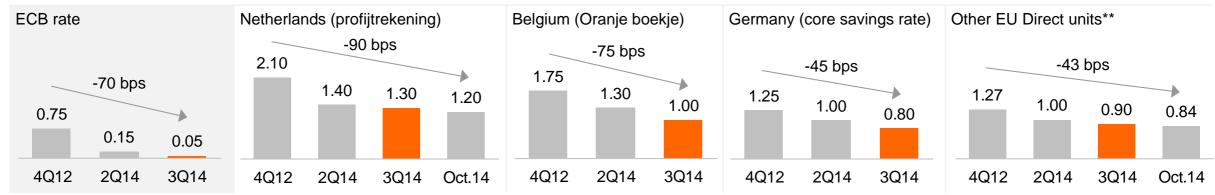
### Funds Entrusted, breakdown by business segment (in %, 3Q14)



### Further scope to protect NIM in low interest environment

- Net interest results in Retail Banking increased by 9.0% from 3Q13 and 4.5% from 2Q14 driven by higher margins on savings and lending in most countries
- Savings margins up from 2Q14, reflecting reduction in client savings rates more than offsetting at least for this quarter the lower re-investment yield in most countries
- ING further reduced the client savings rates in October in the Netherlands (-10 bps) and France (-20 bps)

### Deposit rates have come down following a reduction in ECB rates\*



<sup>\*</sup> End of period



<sup>\*\*</sup> Unweighted average core savings rates France, Italy and Spain

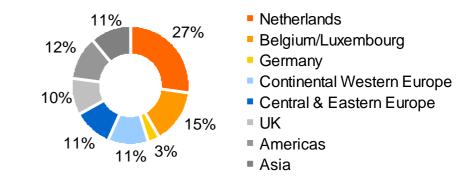
## Solid Commercial Banking results from a consistent strategy and strong client franchises

#### Client-focused Commercial Bank

- Solid results through the cycle
  - Strong volume growth, particularly in Structured Finance
- A strong, Europe-focused Commercial Bank with global reach
  - Extensive international network with strengths across Europe, Asia Pacific and the US
  - Supporting our global client base with a comprehensive European banking offering
  - And our global franchises in:
    - Industry Lending and Financial Markets
    - Trade Finance Services
- Consistent client focus
  - Targeting a seamless, differentiating client experience
  - With new technologies and further standardisation
  - Supporting growth in our domestic and international client franchises

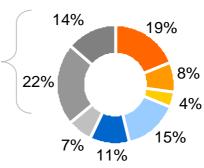
A strong, Europe-focused Commercial Bank with global reach

Income by country / region based on country booking\*, 9M14 (excl. CVA/DVA)



Income by country /region based on country of residence\*\*, 9M14 (excl. CVA/DVA)





- Netherlands
- Belgium/Luxembourg
- Germany
- Central Western Europe
- Central & Eastern Europe
- UK
- Americas
- Asia

<sup>\*\*</sup> Data is based on country of residence. From the perspective of a given country, a resident is a legal entity or branch (or individual) that has its major operations in the given country





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# Structured Finance is a top 10 player globally generating a consistently high RoE

#### Structured Finance

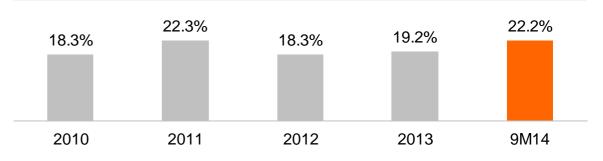
- Structured Finance business is a traditional lending business based on specialised industry knowledge
- ING is a top 10 player in this area
- Mature franchise built over 20 years
  - Expertise through experienced, long-serving teams
- Well diversified loan portfolio across segments and geography
- Strong risk management and structuring capabilities focused on providing lending solutions to clients needs
  - Risk costs Structured Finance 40-45 bps of RWA over the cycle
- Ability to select the right clients/businesses in the sector
- Centres of expertise around the world to support our local and global clients
- Structured Finance has generated a RoE at around 20% in the past 4.5 years

## Leading global player Industry Lending excl. REF 9M14: MLA by number of deals

No.		Deals
1	Bank of America Merrill Lynch	246
2	Deutsche Bank	194
3	BNP Paribas	170
4	JP Morgan	170
5	Mitsubishi UFJ	170
6	Credit Suisse	167
7	Barclays	152
8	ING	143
9	General Electric Co	139
10	Citi	136

Source: Thomson Reuters

### Structured Finance – RoE (based on CET1 ratio of 10%)



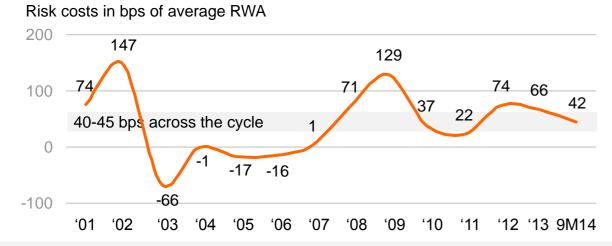


## Diversification and prudent risk management resulted in well controlled risk costs in Structured Finance

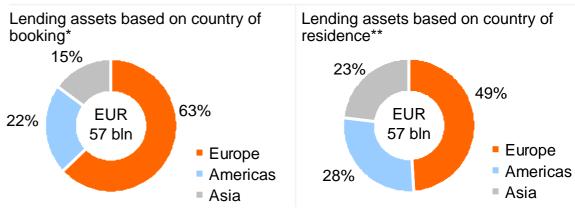
### Structured Finance is well diversified by product...



### ...resulting in well controlled risk costs



### ...and geography



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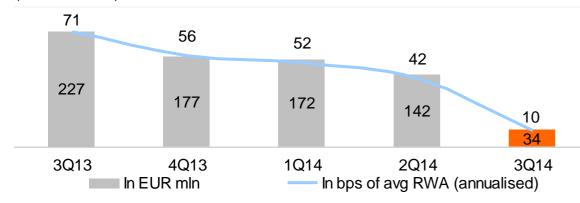
- Structured Finance is well diversified in terms of products, geography and tenors of loans
- Diversification, strong collateral and prudent risk management resulted in well controlled risk costs
- Strong cooperation between the front office and Risk Management, Legal and Compliance
- Risk profile Structured Finance is in line with the total bank (40-45 bps across the cycle)



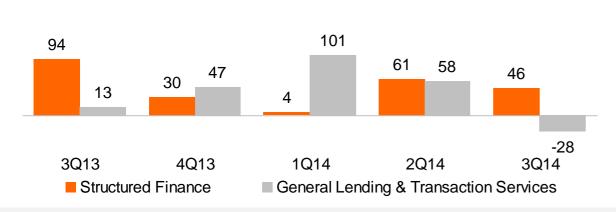
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# Risk costs Commercial Banking declined in 3Q14, flattered by a net release on a large file

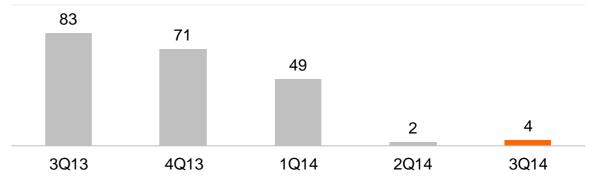
Risk costs Commercial Banking declined from 3Q13 and 2Q14... (in EUR mln)



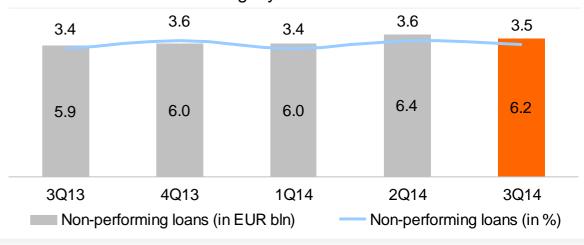
...a release in a large file within General Lending (in EUR mln)



...driven by lower risk costs Real Estate Finance and... (in EUR mln)



The NPL ratio decreased slightly in 3Q14

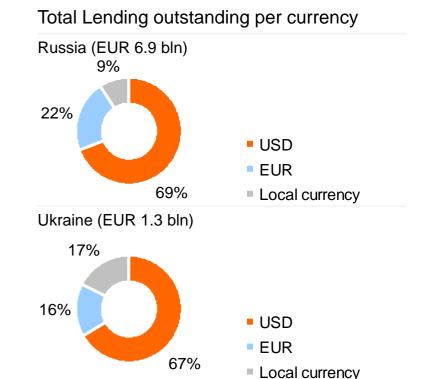




## Exposure ING Bank to Russia and Ukraine has been further reduced

### Exposure ING Bank to Russia and Ukraine (in EUR mln)

Exposure, 30 September 2014			
	Russia	Ukraine	
Total Lending Credit O/S	6,851	1,289	
Other*	947	20	
Total outstanding	7,798	1,309	
Undrawn committed Facilities	1,141	89	
Note: data is based on country of residence			
NPL ratio and Coverage ratio Russia and Ukraine, 30 September 2014			
	Russia	Ukraine	
NPL ratio	2%	21%	



- Total Lending credit outstanding to Russia and Ukraine combined has been reduced by EUR 485 mln or 5.6% from 2Q14
- We will continue to manage exposure down in close cooperation with our clients, protecting their interests and our franchise as much as reasonably possible

18%

35%

- The lending exposure to Russia covered by Export Credit Agencies (ECA) is approximately EUR 1 bln
- \* Other includes Investment, trading exposure and pre-settlement
- \*\* Coverage ratio is defined as total provisions divided by total non-performing loans



Coverage ratio\*\*

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