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# ING announces indicative offer price range and offer size for IPO of NN Group

- Offer price range set at EUR 18.50 EUR 22.00 per NN Group share
- ING to offer 70 million existing ordinary shares of NN Group in IPO (excluding an over-allotment option of up to 15% of the offered shares)
- NN Group shares expected to be listed and start trading on Euronext Amsterdam on 2 July 2014

ING announces today that it intends to offer 70 million ordinary shares in the share capital of its subsidiary NN Group at an indicative offer price range of EUR 18.50 to EUR 22.00 per share. Based on this price range, the initial offer size, or gross proceeds of the offering, would be approximately EUR 1.3 billion to EUR 1.5 billion. NN Group shares are expected to be listed and start trading on Euronext Amsterdam on 2 July 2014 (on an if-and-when-delivered basis) under the listing name "NN Group" and the symbol 'NN'.

ING on <u>5 June 2014</u> confirmed its intention to proceed with the Initial Public Offering (IPO) of NN Group and listing on Euronext Amsterdam. The offering will consist solely of existing shares of NN Group currently owned by ING. ING intends to use the net proceeds of the offering for the reduction of ING Group's double leverage.

As announced on <u>30 April 2014</u>, ING secured pre-IPO investments for an aggregate sum of EUR 1.275 billion from three investment firms, consisting of a participation in the IPO as anchor investors for an aggregate sum of EUR 150 million, and the sale of EUR 1.125 billion of subordinated notes mandatorily exchangeable by ING into NN Group shares in three tranches. The anchor investment is included in the size of the offering announced today. As regards the notes, a first tranche of an aggregate amount of EUR 450 million plus accrued interest will be mandatorily exchanged into NN Group shares at settlement of the IPO at a 1.5% discount to the final offer price. The remaining two tranches, each for an equal amount of in aggregate EUR 337.5 million, will be mandatorily exchanged into NN Group shares from 2015 onwards, at terms previously disclosed on 30 April 2014.

ING has granted the joint global coordinators, on behalf of the underwriters, an over-allotment option to purchase up to approximately 10.5 million additional shares in NN Group until 30 days after the first trading date of NN Group shares. The over-allotment option, if exercised in full, would represent approximately 3% of the NN Group shares outstanding at settlement of the IPO.

After the sale of 70 million shares in the IPO (without giving effect to the over-allotment option), and the exchange of the EUR 450 million subordinated mandatorily exchangeable notes into NN Group shares by ING (at the midpoint of the offer price range), ING's ownership of NN Group would decline to 73.6%. Today's announcement is in line with ING's stated objective to divest its insurance and investment management businesses. Following the IPO, ING intends to reduce its shareholding in NN Group to below 50% before 31 December 2015 and divest the remaining stake before 31 December 2016, in line with the timeline ING has agreed with the European Commission. ING retains full flexibility in the way it may execute the divestment of the remaining stake in NN Group post IPO.

Upon completion of the transaction announced today, NN Group will continue to be consolidated by ING. Upon completion, and excluding the over-allotment option, this offering would have an estimated negative impact of approximately EUR 3.2 billion on the shareholders' equity of ING Group (based on the midpoint of the indicative offer price range). This impact, which will be recorded in ING Group's Third Quarter 2014 Results, is the sum of three elements (all approximate numbers based on the midpoint of the indicative IPO offer price range):





- EUR 1.8 billion, being the estimated difference between the net proceeds of this offering to ING (including the previously announced EUR 150 million anchor investment) and the estimated IFRS book value of the 20.0% stake in NN Group divested through this offering at IPO;
- EUR 0.6 billion, being the estimated difference between the market value of the NN Group shares exchanged for the first tranche of mandatorily exchangeable subordinated notes, and the estimated IFRS book value of these shares; and
- EUR 0.8 billion, being a provision against equity that reflects the estimated difference between the market value of the NN Group shares to be exchanged for the second and third tranches of mandatorily exchangeable notes and the estimated IFRS book value of these shares.

The offering and the exchange of the first tranche of notes will not impact the profit of ING and will not have an impact on the capital position of either ING Bank or NN Group. The actual amount of any impact on the shareholders' equity of ING Group may differ from the estimates mentioned above and will depend on the pricing and the IFRS book value of the NN Group shares at the date of the transaction.

As announced on 5 June 2014, NN Group's experienced and diverse leadership team has a clear focus on earnings improvement and cash generation, strong cost control and delivering an excellent customer experience. NN Group maintains a strong balance sheet under a conservative regulatory environment in the Netherlands and has established a dividend policy focused on returning cash to shareholders. NN Group, currently a wholly-owned subsidiary of ING, is an international insurance and investment management company offering retirement, life insurance, non-life insurance, investment management and banking (in the Netherlands) to its customers across Europe and Japan.

## Ralph Hamers, CEO of ING, said:

"Announcing the offer price range is another key step in NN Group's IPO process as it kick-starts the period during which NN Group's management will meet with potential investors and share NN Group's strategy, customer proposition and investment case."

## Lard Friese, Vice-Chairman of NN Group, said:

"We're excited about the next phase in the process and believe that our rigorous strategy implementation will deliver both shareholder value and an excellent customer experience."

## Further offer details and timetable

The IPO consists of a public offering of existing NN Group shares currently owned by ING Group to institutional and retail investors in the Netherlands, and a private placement to certain institutional investors in various jurisdictions. The offer period, the institutional road show, the retail offering and the book-building period all start on 17 June 2014 after publication of the prospectus and end on 1 July 2014 at 13.00 CET (subject to acceleration or extension of the timetable of the offering). The offer price and the exact number of offer shares will be determined after the offer period has ended and are expected to be announced on 1 July 2014, after the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange. Prior to allocation of the NN Group shares, the maximum number of shares can be increased or decreased and the offer price range can be changed. If any such change would occur, this will be published in a press release. The first day of trading on an "if-and-when-delivered" basis is expected to commence on 2 July 2014. Settlement of, or delivery and payment for the shares of the offering, is expected to take place on 7 July 2014. NN Group and ING and their affiliates have agreed certain lock-up arrangements with the underwriters, effective for a period of 180 days after the date of the settlement of the offering, subject to certain exceptions. The anchor investors -RRJ Capital, Temasek and SeaTown - have also agreed to a lock-up on the shares that they will receive as a result of the exchange into NN Group shares of the first tranche of mandatorily exchangeable subordinated notes. This lock-up period is also effective for a period ending on the later date of nine months after 16 May 2014 and six months after the settlement date of the offering.

Full information about the offering is included in the prospectus relating to the IPO. The prospectus will be published and made available to the public after approval by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (AFM) on 17 June 2014, subject to securities law restrictions in certain jurisdictions. Copies of the prospectus and supplements to the prospectus (if any) may be obtained at no cost from NN Group's head office during normal business hours during the offer period. Alternatively, the prospectus can be downloaded from NN Group's website at <u>www.nn-group.com</u>. This prospectus can also be found on the website of the AFM at www.afm.nl (Dutch residents only). In addition, a copy of the prospectus may be





obtained free of charge by sending a request in writing or by email to ING Bank N.V. as Listing Agent: ING Bank N.V., Attn,: Paying Agency Services, Location code AMP L02.007, Amsterdamse Poort, Bijlmerplein 888, 1102 MG Amsterdam, the Netherlands, email iss.pas@ing.nl. For retail investors in the Netherlands, a Dutch summary of the prospectus will be available on the retail section of the NN Group website, www.nn-group.com/beursgang, as of 17 June 2014.

ING Group and NN Group have appointed J.P. Morgan, Morgan Stanley, ING Bank and Deutsche Bank as joint global co-ordinators for the IPO. BNP Paribas, Citigroup, Commerzbank, Credit Suisse and Nomura as well as the joint global coordinators are acting as the joint bookrunners for the IPO. ABN Amro, HSBC and RBC Capital Markets are the joint lead managers, and Keefe, Bruyette & Woods and Rabobank International are the senior co-lead managers for the IPO. BBVA, Erste Group, KBC Securities, Mediobanca, Natixis, Raiffeisen Centrobank and UniCredit are the co-lead managers for the IPO.

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ING is a global financial institution of Dutch origin offering services through its operating companies ING Bank and NN Group. The purpose of **ING Bank** is empowering people to stay a step ahead in life and in business. ING Bank's 63,000 employees offer retail and commercial banking services to customers in over 40 countries. ING Group shares are listed (in the form of depositary receipts) on the exchanges of Amsterdam (INGA NA/ING.AS), Brussels and on the New York Stock Exchange (ADRs: ING US/ING.N). Sustainability forms an integral part of ING's corporate strategy, which is evidenced by ING being included in the Dow Jones Sustainability Index (Europe and World) and the FTS4Good index.

## **NN GROUP PROFILE**

NN Group is an insurance and investment management company with a strong, predominantly European presence in more than 18 countries. With over 12,000 employees the group offers retirement services, insurance, investments and banking. NN Group includes Nationale-Nederlanden, ING Insurance Europe, ING Investment Management and ING Life Japan, which are jointly preparing to become an independent, standalone company, separate from ING Group. NN Group is currently a fully-owned subsidiary of ING Group.

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