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Publication of a transparency notification

(in accordance with the Law of 2 May 2007 on disclosure of major holdings)

NV Bekaert SA ("Bekaert") has received a transparency notification dated 6 October 2025 indicating that Norges Bank has crossed the threshold of 3%, as a result of the acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights in Bekaert.

The notification dated 6 October 2025 contains the following information:

- Reason for the notification:
  - acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights
  - downward crossing of the lowest threshold
- Notification by a person that notifies alone
- Persons subject to the notification requirement: Norges Bank, Bankplassen 2, PO Box 1179 Sentrum, 0107 Oslo, Norway
- Date on which the threshold is crossed: 3 October 2025
- Threshold that is crossed: 3%
- Denominator: 51 839 461
- Notified Details:

A) Voting rights	Previous notification	After the transaction			
	Number of voting rights	Number of voting rights		% of voting rights	
Holders of voting rights		Linked to securities	Not linked to securities	Linked to securities	Not linked to securities
Norges Bank	1 528 377	1 321 056		2.55%	
	TOTAL	1 321 056	0	2.55%	0.00%

B) Equivalent financial instruments	After the transaction					
Holders of equivalent financial instruments	Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise period or date	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised	% of voting rights	Settlement
Norges Bank	Shares on loan (right to recall)		At any time	83 188	0.16%	Physical
Norges Bank	CFD		At any time	143 133	0.28%	Cash
	TOTAL			226 321	0.44%	

Total (A & B)	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
	1 547 377	2.98%

- Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held: Norges Bank is the central bank of Norway. As part of its central bank activities, Norges Bank manages Norway's foreign exchange reserves and is responsible for management of the Norwegian Government Pension Fund Global (GPFG). The formal responsibility for management of the GPFG is placed with the Ministry of Finance, but is delegated to Norges Bank. All investments are executed by Norges Bank acting as principal and all holdings are registered in the name of Norges Bank.

About Bekaert

Bekaert's ambition is to be the leading partner for shaping the way we live and move, and to always do this in a way that is safe, smart, and sustainable. As a global market and technology leader in material science of steel wire transformation and coating technologies, Bekaert (bekaert.com) also applies its expertise beyond steel to create new solutions with innovative materials and services for markets including new mobility, sustainable construction, and energy transition. Founded in 1880, with its headquarters in Belgium, Bekaert (Euronext Brussels, BEKB) is a global technology company whose 21 000 employees worldwide together generated € 4.0 billion in consolidated sales in 2024.

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