

Corporate Communications

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## ING to sell its business in Russia to Global Development JSC

ING announced today that it has reached an agreement on the sale of its business in Russia to Global Development JSC, a Russian company owned by a Moscow-based financial investor with a background in factoring services. This transaction will effectively end ING's activities in the Russian market. Under the terms of the agreement, Global Development will acquire all shares of ING Bank (Eurasia) JSC, taking over all Russian onshore activities and staff. Global Development intends to continue to serve customers in Russia under a new brand. The transaction, which has been preceded by extensive due diligence, is subject to various regulatory approvals and is expected to be closed in the third quarter of 2025.

Since February 2022, ING has taken on no new business with Russian companies, has scaled down operations and has taken actions to separate the business from ING's networks and systems. At the same time ING's total lending exposure to Russian clients has been reduced by more than 75%.

ING expects a negative P&L impact of around  $\notin 0.7$  billion post tax. This includes an estimated book loss of around  $\notin 0.4$  billion, representing the difference between the sale price and the book value of the business, which would have a negative impact of around 5 basis points on ING's CET1 ratio. It also includes an estimated negative impact of around  $\notin 0.3$  billion from recycling the currency translation adjustment through P&L, that is currently booked in equity for past changes of the value of ING Bank (Eurasia) JSC as a result of exchange rate movements. This currency translation adjustment recycling will not affect ING's CET1 ratio and resilient net profit.

After the transaction, ING will continue to further reduce its offshore exposure to Russian clients. This exposure, which is booked by other ING entities outside of Russia, amounted to  $\leq 1.0$  billion as of 30 September 2024, of which  $\leq 0.5$  billion is under ECA or CPRI cover.

## Note for editors

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## ING PROFILE

ING is a global financial institution with a strong European base, offering banking services through its operating company ING Bank. The purpose of ING Bank is: empowering people to stay a step ahead in life and in business. ING Bank's more than 60,000 employees offer retail and wholesale banking services to customers in over 40 countries.

ING Group shares are listed on the exchanges of Amsterdam (INGA NA, INGA.AS), Brussels and on the New York Stock Exchange (ADRs: ING US, ING.N).

ING aims to put sustainability at the heart of what we do. Our policies and actions are assessed by independent research and ratings providers, which give updates on them annually. ING's ESG rating by MSCI was reconfirmed by MSCI as 'AA' in August 2024 for the fifth year. As of December 2023, in Sustainalytics' view, ING's management of ESG material risk is 'Strong'. Our current ESG Risk Rating, is 17.2 (Low Risk). ING Group shares are also included in major sustainability and ESG index products of leading providers. Here are some examples: Euronext, STOXX, Morningstar and FTSE Russell. Society is transitioning to a low-carbon economy. So are our clients, and so is ING. We finance a lot of sustainable activities, but we still finance more that's not. Follow our progress on ing.com/climate.



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