

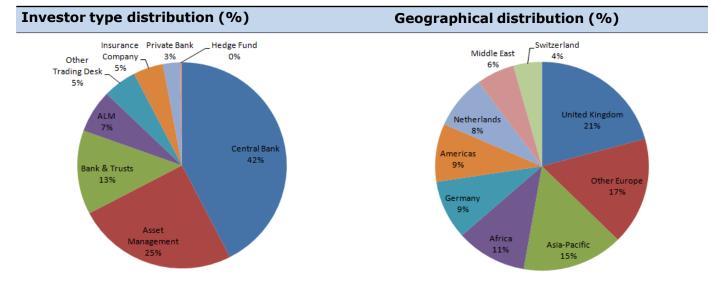
Key transaction facts

Issuer	DSTA
Ratings:	Aaa / AAA / AAA
Allocated size:	USD 3.500 bln
Total book:	USD 7.060 bln
Bid to cover:	2
Issuance yield:	0.507%
Issuance price:	99.24
Maturity:	12 September 2015
Coupon	0.25%
Settlement:	12 September 2012

## Transaction review: US Dollar 0.25% Dutch State Bond

## **Highlights**

- Today the DSTA launched a 3-year US Dollar Dutch State Bond via the Dutch Direct Auction (DDA). This dollar bond gives the Netherlands access to a wider range of issuance options and a broad investor base.
- The book opened at 9:00 hrs CET with an initial spread guidance of 5 to 8 basis points over the 3-year USD mid-swap. The book grew steadily. Within 30 minutes bids amounted to around US\$ 2.2 billion. At 10:15 hrs CET the book was in excess of US\$ 5.5 billion and the DSTA decided to narrow the spread guidance to a range of +5 to +6 basis points.
- The order book closed at 11:00 hrs CET with a total book of US\$ 7 billion. An amount of US\$ 3,500,119,000 was allocated at a uniform cut-off spread of +5 bp over the mid-swap.
- Of the total amount, 75% was allocated towards 'real money' accounts, while the remaining 25% went to 'other' (trading) accounts.
- The issuance yield was set at 0.507%, with an issuance price of 99.24. Issuance in US dollars awarded the Dutch state a funding advantage of 16 basis points relative to a comparable issuance in euro.
- The bond attracted bids from around the world. Bonds were allocated to investors in 35 different countries. Non-European investors were allocated approximately 40% of the allocated amount. Central banks and agencies were the most important investor types.





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