

Ministry of Finance

## Dutch State Treasury Agency

10-year DDA Investor presentation

Last update: 7 March 2016

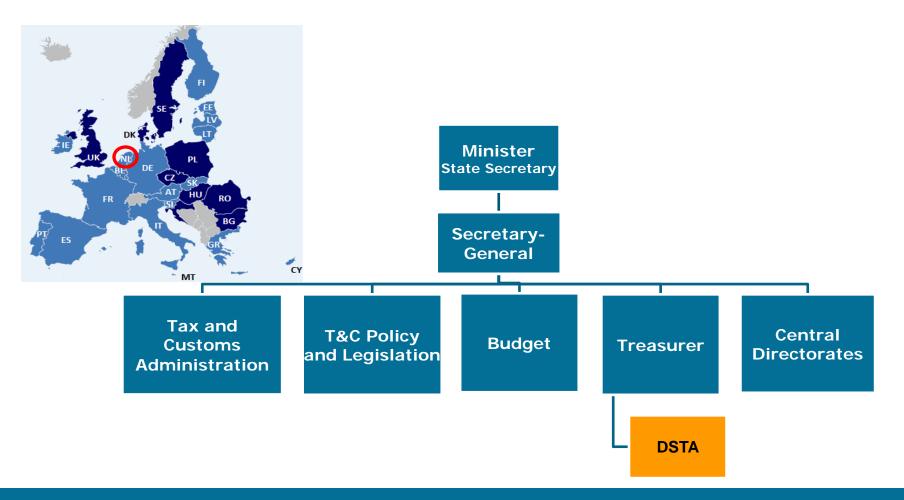


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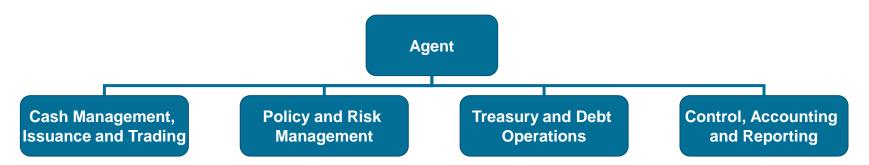


## **The Dutch Ministry of Finance**





## **Dutch State Treasury Agency**



- Founded in 1841 in Amsterdam
- Moved to The Hague in 2009
- Part of Ministry of Finance
- Autonomous decisions within a mandate that is granted by the minister of Finance
- Main objective: to manage the State's debt efficiently and effectively and to meet the State's funding requirement by borrowing and lending money



## Details new 10-year benchmark bond

DDA date:	Tuesday 22 March 2016
Maturity date:	15 July 2026
Reference bond:	DBR 0.50% 15 February 2026
Target volume:	€ 4 - € 6 bn
Settlement date:	Thursday 24 March
Coupon:	To be announced on Friday 18 March
Initial spread guidance:	To be announced on Monday 21 March
Country ratings:	Aaa/ AAA/ AAA



## Time schedule 10-year DSL

- Book opens at 10:00 CET on 22 March
- Final spread guidance will be announced no later than 15:00 CET on 22 March
- Book closes at latest 17:00 CET on 22 March
- <u>Allocation communicated</u> a.s.a.p. after closing of the book, no later than 9:00 CET on 23 March
- <u>Pricing</u> at least 30 minutues after allocation and no later than 12:00 CET on 23 March; preferably on the auction day itself

# The economy and the budget



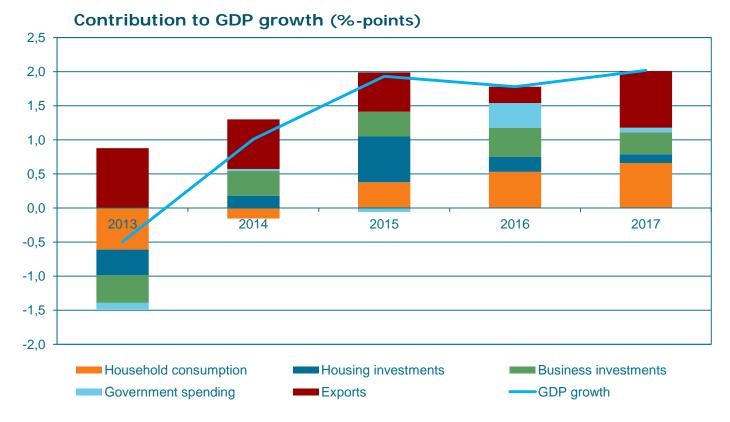
## **Projections: strong economic performance**

Key economic figures 2015-2017 (% change y-o-y)	2015	2016	2017
GDP	1.9	1.8	2.0
Household consumption	1.6	1.6	2.0
Capital formation (including inventories)	7.2	6.0	4.2
Government consumption	-0.3	2.0	0.2
Exports	4.2	3.6	4.1
Imports	4.9	5.0	4.5
Unemployment (% of labour force)	6.9	6.5	6.3
Labour productivity	1.3	0.8	1.4
Inflation (HICP)	0.2	0.3	1.0

**Source**: CPB, Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis, 7 March 2016. Detailed Macro-economic Outlook available on 21 March on CPB website. http://www.cpb.nl/en/short-term-forecasts



## **Domestic demand is driving growth**



Source: CPB, Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis, 7 March 2016



## Strong current account surplus

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Current account balance 2015 (% of GDP)

**Source**: European Commission, Winter Forecast 2016 (AMECO database) http://ec.europa.eu/economy\_finance/ameco/user/serie/SelectSerie.cfm



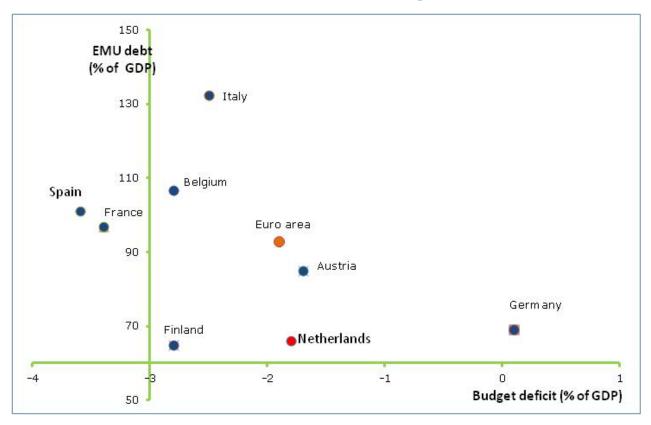
## **Government finances**

Key budgetary figures (% GDP)	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
EMU-balance	-3.9	-2.4	-2.4	-1.9	-1.7	-1.2
EMU-debt	66.4	67.9	68.2	66.3	65.4	64.1

**Source**: Statistics Netherlands (up tot 2014) and CPB, Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis (2016, 2017) Next update by ministry of Finance at the end of May 2016



## **Government finances compared** (2016)



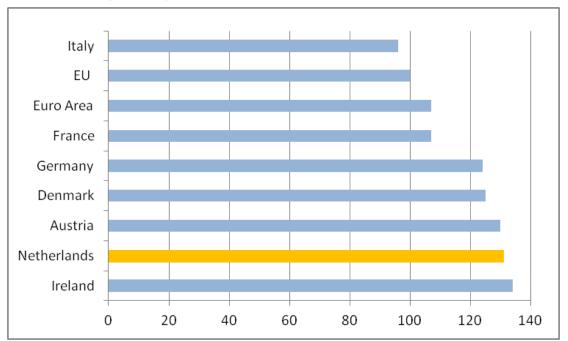
Source: European Commission Winter Forecast, February 2016

# Fundamentally strong



## Among the richest countries in Europe

Real GDP per capita (PPS, 2014, index EU28=100)

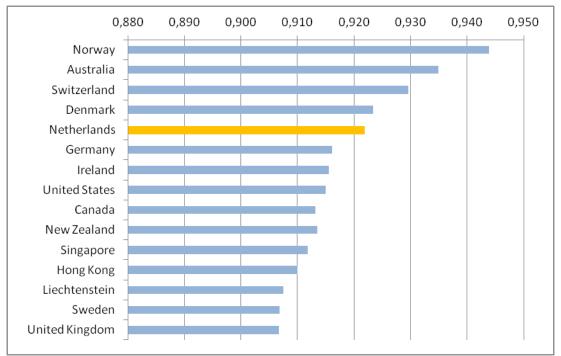


#### Source: Eurostat

http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/purchasing-power-parities/data/main-tables



## Among the most developed countries worldwide



#### Top 15 countries on the Human Development Index (2015)

Source: United Nations Human Development Index



## Among the most competitive countries worldwide

#### Top 12 countries on the WEF Competiveness Index

1	Switzerland
2	Singapore
3	United States
4	Germany
5	Netherlands
6	Japan
7	Hong Kong
8	Finland
9	Sweden
10	United Kingdom
11	Norway
12	Denmark

Source: World Economic Forum , 15 February 2016

# The debt position



## **Debt Outstanding**

#### Key figures at the end of February 2016 (in mn of euros)

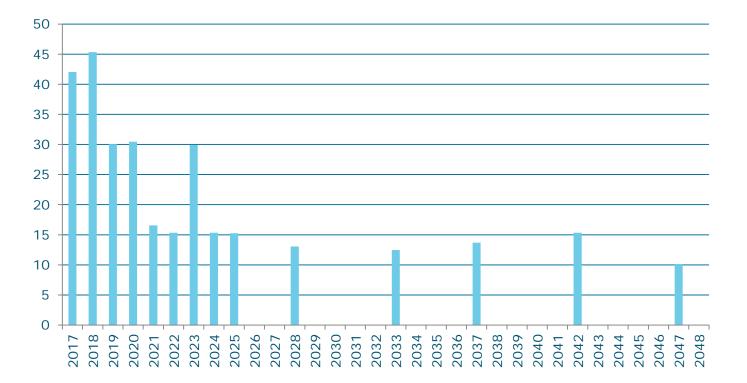
DSL (T-bonds)	323,769
DSL in foreign currency	2,512
DTC (T-bills)	13,680
ECP in foreign currency	
Private loans	3,573
Private loans in foreign currency	695
Cash	119
Total debt outstanding #	344,348

# Excluding cash collateral received (€20.6 bn)



## Long-term debt profile

Redemptions long-term debt position (end February 2016, € bn)





## **Diversified holdings of debt**

Holdings of Dutch government debt

by region (sept 2014)

# And person funds Banks Buro area Outside Euro area Outside Euro area Other financial institutions Other

Euro area holdings of Dutch government debt

by sector (sept 2014)

**Source**: Dutch Central Bank as published in Economische Statistische Berichten (http://www.economie.nl/artikel/statistiek-216)

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## **Secondary market**

#### PD reported DSL turnover, 2012-2015 (Q1-Q3), by remaining maturity (in € bn)



Source: DSTA SMTR

## Funding plan 2016



## **Borrowing requirement 2016**

Borrowing requirement	(€ bn)
Capital market redemptions 2016	28.1
Money market ultimo 2015	15.2
Cash collateral ultimo 2015	19.4
Cash deficit*	7.6
Total funding requirement 2016	70.3

\*excludes possible further sales of ABN Amro and sale of ASR **Source**: www.dsta.nl, January 2016



## Funding in 2016

Funding	(€ bn)
Capital market	25 – 30
Money market	20.9 – 25.9
Cash collateral ultimo 2016*	19.4
Total funding requirement 2016	70.3

\* Assuming cash collateral remains constant and equal to volume ultimo 2015

Source: www.dsta.nl, January 2016

- Money market remains primary buffer
- New in 2016: target range capital market



## **Issuance in 2016**

DSL	Indicative amount (€ bn)
New 10-year DSL	15
New 5-year DSL	7.5 – 10*
Reopening longer dated off-the-run DSLs	2.5 - 5
Total DSL funding	25 - 30

\* Will be reopened again in 2017 to reach at least € 15 bn

Source: DSTA Outlook 2016 (published on 11 December 2015)



## Ensuring sufficient liquidity in secondary markets

- Annual issuance of a new 10-year bond, and a shorter dated bond (3- or 5-years)
- Raising outstanding amounts of 3-, 5- and 10-year bonds to € 15 bn within 1 year of issuance
- Quotation obligation for Primary Dealers to ensure that tradable prices are available at all times
- Repo facility available to Primary Dealers ('lender of last resort')



## QE and DSL

Capital key Netherlands for PSPP is 5.7%

ECB (DNB) buys approx.  $\in$  2 bn per month of DSLs

Average maturity of DSL holdings is approx. 6.8 years

DNB has a securities lending facility for PDs

DSTA has a repo facility for PDs (lender of last resort)



## 10-year DSL: why to buy

- Netherlands has reputation of consensus-based fiscal discipline
- Structural reforms in place; both the economy and the housing market are picking up
- DSL 2026 offers attractive yield versus Germany
- Highly rated issuer (Aaa/AAA/AAA)
- Continuous availability of secondary market prices
- Annual issuance of 10-year bonds; commitment to raise outstanding amount to € 15 bn within the year



# Supplement I



## Structural reforms

#### Housing market

- Reduced mortgage interest tax deductibility (new and existing loans)
- New mortgages should be redeemed in full during the lifetime of the loan
- Property transfer tax lowered from 6% to 2%, maximum LTVs and LTI's down
- Rents will be more market-based, and increased more for relatively higher incomes

#### **Pensions/retirement**

- Retirement age increased to 67 + from 2021 onwards
- The maximum pension accrual qualifying for tax relief curtailed

#### **Health care**

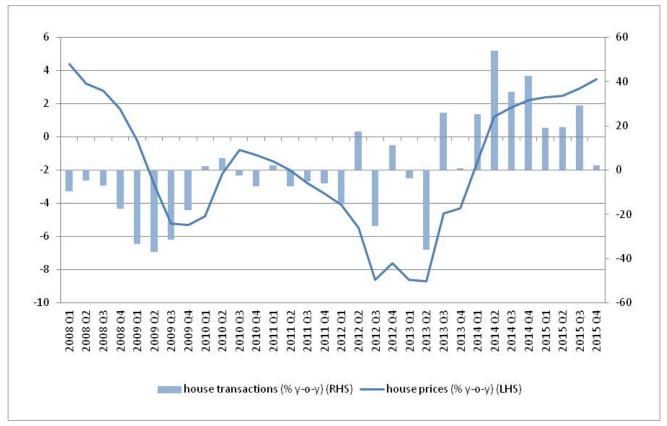
- More long-term care will be provided outside homes for the elderly, by local governments
- More limited health insurance coverage, higher contributions by the insured
- Increased competition in the health care sector

#### Labour market

- Dismissal procedures simplified, increase labour market flexibility
- Access to unemployment benefits more stringent, stimulating labour supply



## Housing market has recovered

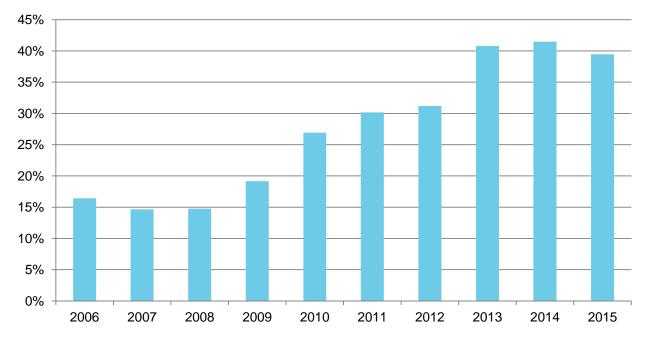


Source: National Statistics Bureau, CBS



## Decline in 'underwater mortgages'

Underwater mortgages (% of total mortgages)

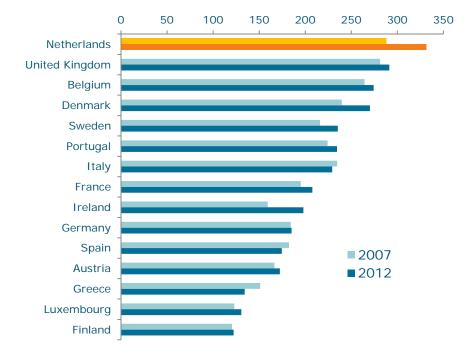


Source: National Statistics (2016)

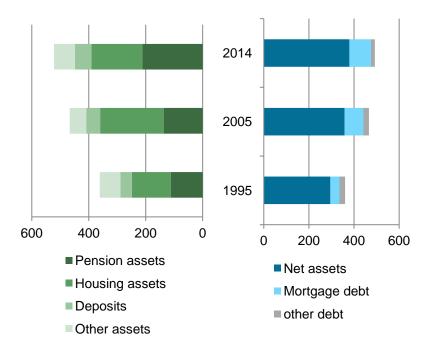


## Households have strong asset position

#### Household financial assets (% GDP)



#### Household assets and liabilities (% GDP)

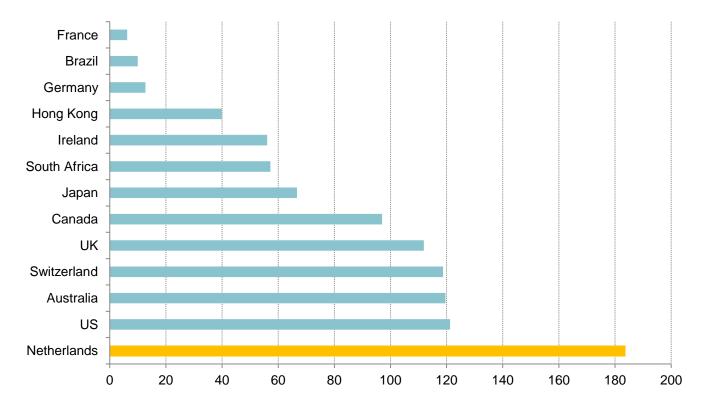


Source: DNB in the government's Budget Memorandum

Source: Eurostat, 2013



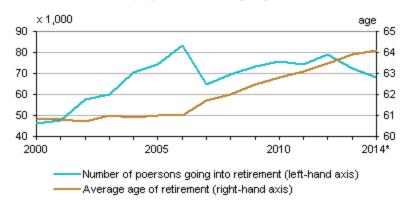
## Pension assets internationally (% GDP in 2014)



Source: Willis Towers Watson, Global Pension Asset Study, 2016

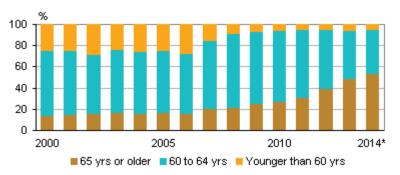


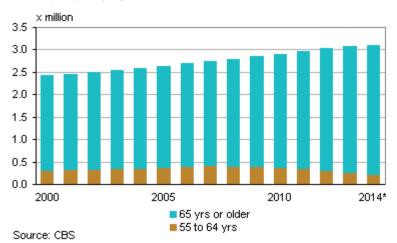
## Pensions: reforms to achieve sustainability



Number of retired employees and average age of retirement







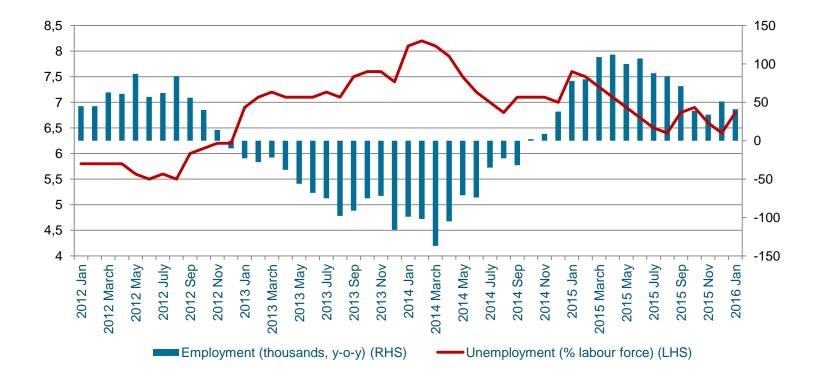
#### Retired people by age

- Increase in retirement age to 67 in 2021
- Tied to life expectancy after 2021

Source: National Statistics, 2014



## Labour market recovery

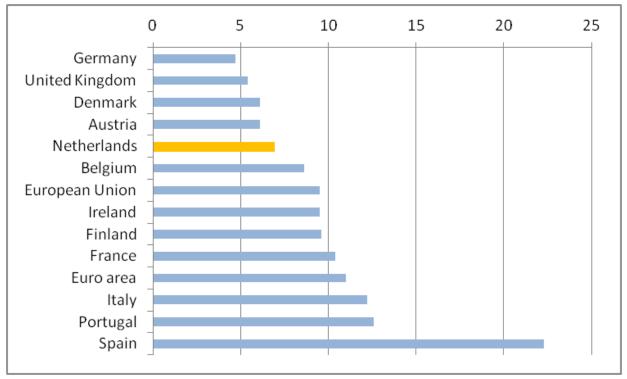


Source: National Statistics Bureau



#### Unemployment remains low in European context

#### Unemployment rate (2015, % of labour force)

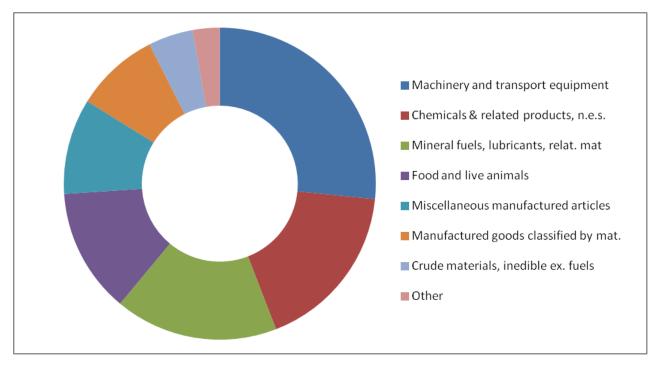


Source: Eurostat



#### **Diversified Dutch exports**

#### Exports by product category (% of total)



Source: National Statistics Bureau, CBS (2014 data)

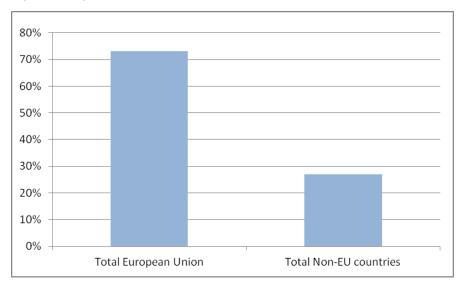


#### Export performance by country destination

Rank	Country	Share
1	Germany	24,1%
2	Belgium	11,0%
3	United Kingdom	8,5%
4	France	8,2%
5	United States of America	4,4%
6	Italy	4,3%
7	Spain	2,8%
8	Poland	2,2%
9	China	1,8%
10	Sweden	1,8%
11	Czech Republic	1,5%
12	Russian Federation	1,5%
13	Switzerland	1,3%
14	Denmark	1,3%
15	Austria	1,2%

Source: National Statistics Bureau, CBS (2014 data)

#### Split of exports: EU and non-EU (% of total)





#### Financial sector interventions

1. Nationalizations: ABN Amro and ASR (2008, as part of nationalization of Fortis NL), SNS REAAL(2013)

The financial institutions are or will be privatized:

- > REAAL (the former insurance part of SNS REAAL) was sold in early 2015
- ABN Amro IPO in November 2015; 23% was sold; remainder will be sold in coming years
- > ASR IPO expected at the earliest in the first half 2016
- SNS Bank (the former banking part of SNS REAAL) decision about its future expected in 2016
- Propertize (the former real estate part of SNS Bank) a sale process is currently underway, which is expected to result in a sale in 2016
- 2. Capital support (2008) to ING ( $\in$  10 bn) and AEGON ( $\in$  3 bn) was repaid
- 3. Guarantee scheme for medium-term bank debt wound down at the end of 2014
- 4. Outstanding guarantees: € 2.6 bn for Propertize (former SNS REAAL)
- 5. Alt-A portfolio (US-RMBS) of ING was sold end 2013 / early 2014



# Supplement II The DDA explained



#### A short overview

- Rule-based auction all investors receive equal treatment
- Primary auction with direct participation of end-investors
- A single uniform price → winner's curse avoided
- Bids can be placed via Primary Dealer(s) of choice and orders can be split via several dealers
- DSTA is the sole book runner
  - Level playing field among all Primary Dealers
  - Confidential participation of investors
- PDs must sign DDA Allocation and Price Compliance Statement\*

DDA rules are available on www.dsta.nl

<sup>\*</sup> As indicated in the General Conditions for PDs – see www.dsta.nl/english/Subjects/Primary\_Dealers



#### Bidding

- Bids are placed at increments of 0.5 bps to the reference bond or 'at best'
- Maximum bid of € 300 million per spread;
- An investor may split orders among Primary Dealers up to the maximum allowed (€ 300 million per spread)
- There is **no pot** in the DDA: Primary Dealers are rewarded for overall DDA performance at the end of the year
- Bids 'at best' are at all times equal to bids at the tightest spread

DDA rules are available on www.dsta.nl



#### **Investor classification**

Real money clients	Other clients
Asset and Fund Managers	Hedge Funds
<ul><li>Central Banks</li><li>Agencies</li><li>Supranationals</li></ul>	<ul><li>All accounts of banks, except:</li><li>Treasury/ ALM accounts of banks</li><li>Private banks</li></ul>
Insurance Companies	Other trading Desks
Pension Funds	
Private Banks	
Treasuries / ALM accounts of banks	

Focus on real money clients

• Allocation: Real Money Clients receive priority at the cut-off spread

#### Safeguarding instant liquidity

• DSTA reserves the right to raise the allocation to 'Other Clients' up to 35% of the total allocated amount



## Mechanics of allocation: an example

	Transaction		
Details	Spread	17 to 18 bp	
-	Target size	€ 4 - 6 bn	
	Book size	€ 10.5 bn	

	Spread	At best	17	17.5	18
	Real Money	1500	1000	1500	1500
Order book	Other	1000	2000	1000	1000
	Total	2500	3000	2500	2500
	Cumulative		5500	8000	10500



## Mechanics of allocation – scenario 1

	Spread	At best	17	17.5	18
	Real Money	1500	1000	1500	1500
Order book	Other	1000	2000	1000	1000
Order Dook	Total	2500	3000	2500	2500
	Cumulative		5500	8000	10500
	<ul> <li>Allocated amount: € 6000</li> <li>Uniform cut off: +17.5</li> </ul>		Allocation at cut-off Real Money Others		f: 33 % 0 %
	Spread	At best	17	17.5	18
	Real Money	1500	1000	500	0
Allocation	Other	1000	2000	0	0
	Total	2500	3000	500	0
	Cumulative		5500	6000	



## Mechanics of allocation – scenario 2

	Spread	At best	17	17.5	18
	Real Money	1500	1000	1500	1500
Order book	Other	1000	2000	1000	1000
Order Dook	Total	2500	3000	2500	2500
	Cumulative		5500	8000	10500
	<ul> <li>Allocated amount: € 5000</li> <li>Uniform cut off: +17</li> </ul>		Allocation at cut-of Real Money Others		f: 100% 83%
	Spread	At best	17	17.5	18
	Real Money	1500	1000	0	0
Allocation	Other	833	1667	0	0
	Total	2333	2667	0	0
	Cumulative		5000		



# Supplement III

#### Funding instruments



#### Funding instruments: the capital market

Dutch State Loans (T-bonds)

- Focus on issuance in EUR
- Maturities: focus on 3- and 10-years, but also 5-years
- Commitment up to the long end of the curve (up to 30 year segment)
- Auctions on fixed dates: 2<sup>nd</sup> and (if needed) 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month
- Annual issuance plan plus quarterly calendars
- Dutch Direct Auctions for new longer-dated DSLs
- Benchmark size at least € 15 bn per DSL (€ 10 bn for 30-year DSLs)
- Buy-backs for cash management purposes (up to 24m remaining maturity)
- Possibility of issuance of USD Dutch State Bonds



#### Funding instruments: the money market

Dutch Treasury Certificates (T-bills)

- Maturities: 3 to 6 (or) 12 months
- Auctions: twice a month (on Monday)

Commercial Paper (CP)

- Maturities up to 1 year (focus on up to 3 months)
- In EUR, USD, GBP, CHF and NOK
- No auctions, initiative with counterparty
   Foreign currencies fully hedged

Deposits ("Cash")

- Borrowing short term; large amounts if necessary
- Lending: unsecured and secured (reverse repo: buy-sell-back)
- In EUR and borrowing also in USD



#### **Funding strategy**

- Transparency: calendars, press releases, website
- Continuity / predictability: no surprises, consistency in policies and operations, live up to commitments
- Tradability / liquidity:
  - Quotation obligations for Primary Dealers
  - Repo facility for Primary Dealers
  - Minimum outstanding volumes of bonds



## Primary Dealer group for 2016

ABN Amro Bank	Barclays Capital*	Citigroup*
Commerzbank*	Deutsche Bank	Goldman Sachs
HSBC France	ING Bank*	Jefferies
Natixis	Nomura	Rabobank*
Royal Bank of Scotland*	Santander GB&M	Société Générale

\* Also Commercial Paper Dealer

#### 5 Single Market Specialists

BBVA	Crédit Agricole	DZ Bank
Nordea	UBS*	



## Supplement IV

Risk framework 2016-2019

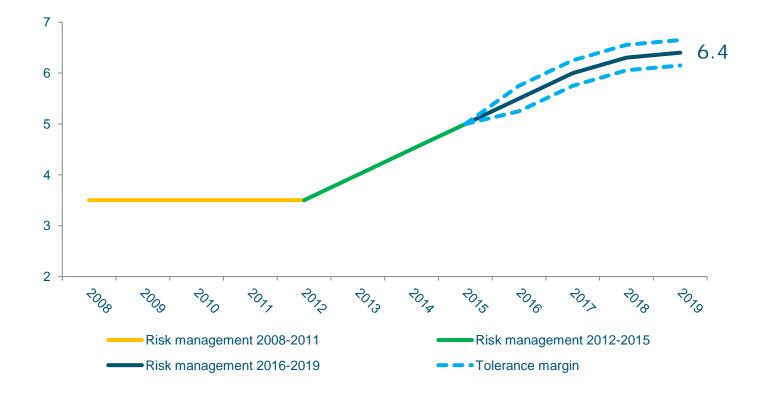


#### Interest rate risk framework 2008 - 2015

- 7-year benchmark as the core of our risk framework
- Interest rate risk management and funding policy fully separated
- Deviations from the benchmark since 2012 led to an increased average maturity
- Recommendations evaluation 2015:
  - increase maturity
  - introduce clear risk indicators
  - and reduce dependency on swaps



## Average maturity debt portfolio 2008-2019





#### Consequences

- Introduction of maximum refixing amount
- Funding strategy remains unchanged
- Swaps become a fine tuning instrument
- Issuance more important in risk management
- Option to revise strategy



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