

Ministry of Finance

## Dutch State Treasury Agency

10-year DDA Investor presentation

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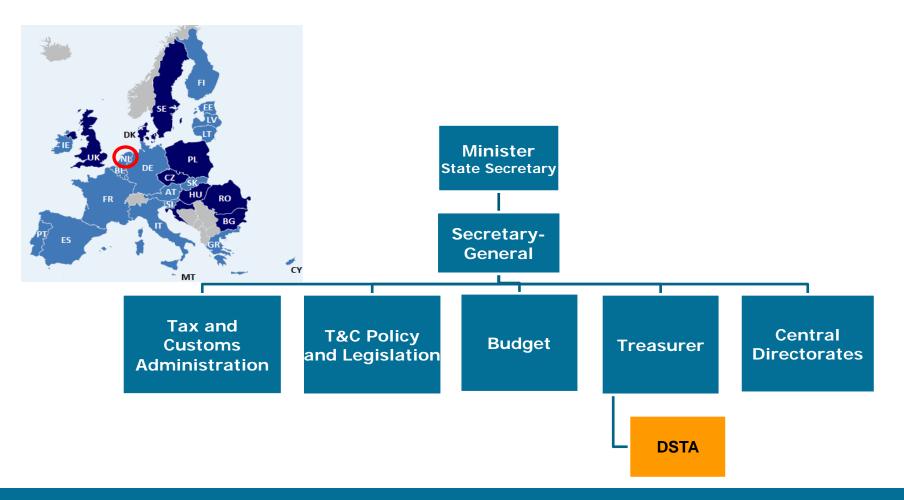


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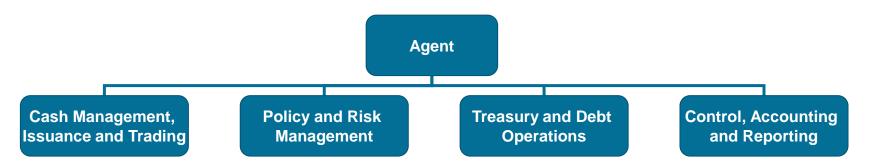


## **The Dutch Ministry of Finance**





## **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



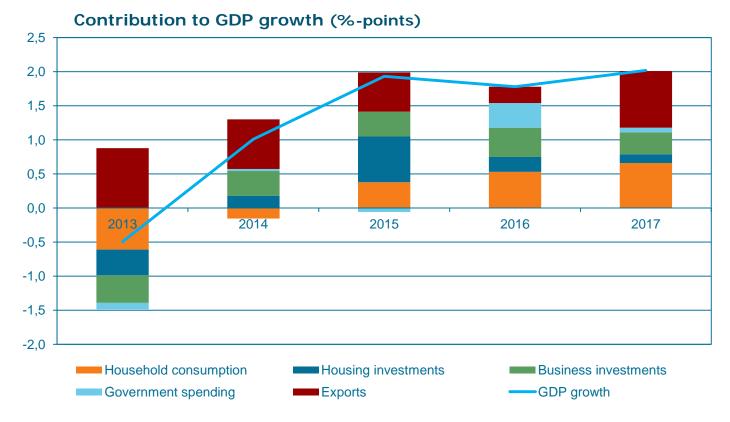
## **Projections: strong economic performance**

| 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



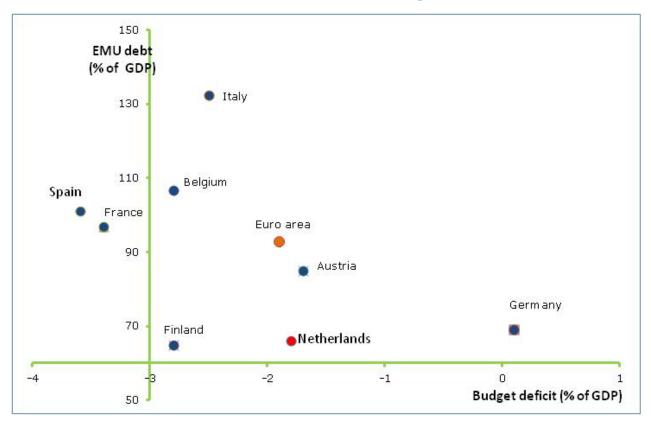
## **Government finances**

| 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)



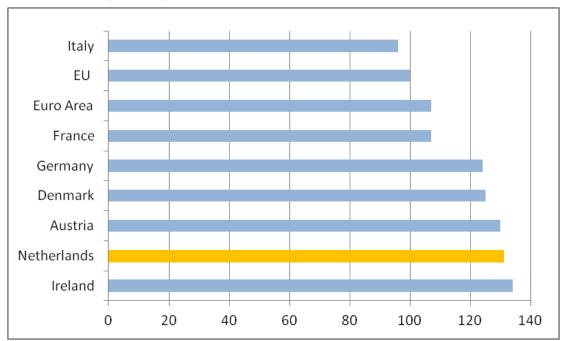
Source: European Commission Winter Forecast, February 2016

# Fundamentally strong



## Among the richest countries in Europe

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

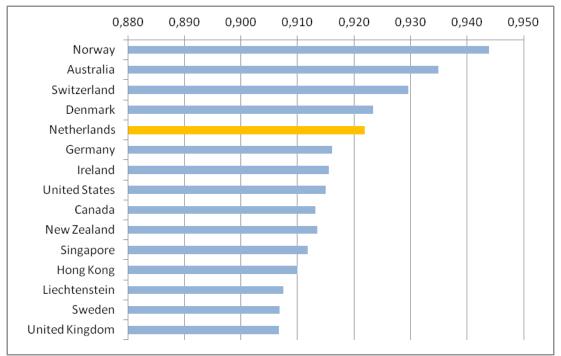


#### Source: Eurostat

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)

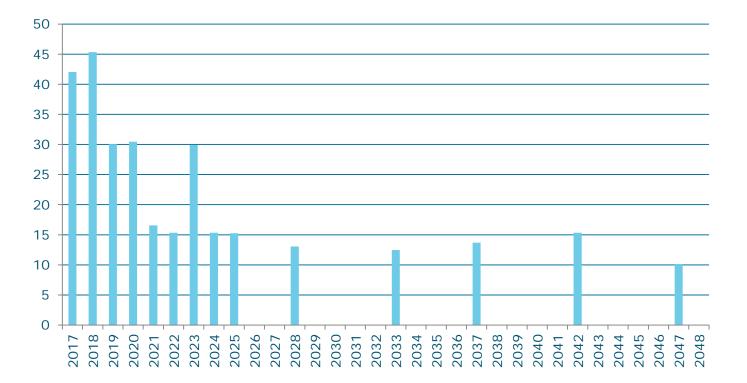
| DSL (T-bonds)                     | 323,769 |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| DSL in foreign currency           | 2,512   |
| DTC (T-bills)                     | 13,680  |
| ECP in foreign currency           |         |
| Private loans                     | 3,573   |
| Private loans 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)

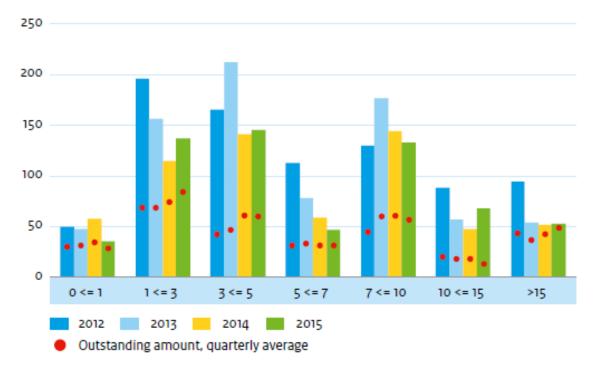
**Source**: Dutch Central Bank as published in Economische Statistische Berichten (http://www.economie.nl/artikel/statistiek-216)

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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<br>(€ 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**

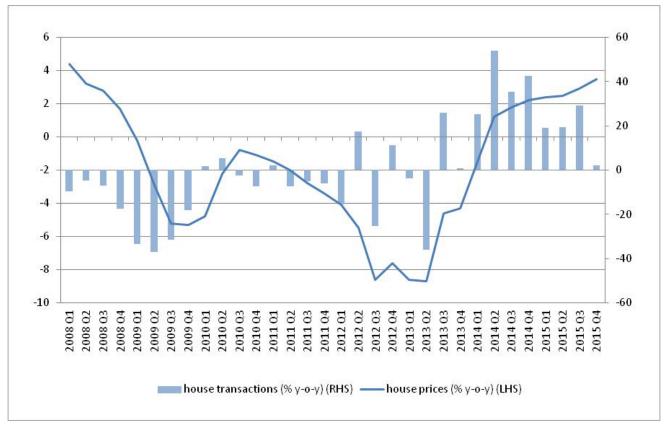
- More long-term care will be provided outside homes for the elderly, by local governments
- More limited health insurance coverage, higher contributions by the insured
- Increased competition in the health care sector

#### Labour market

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



## Housing market has recovered

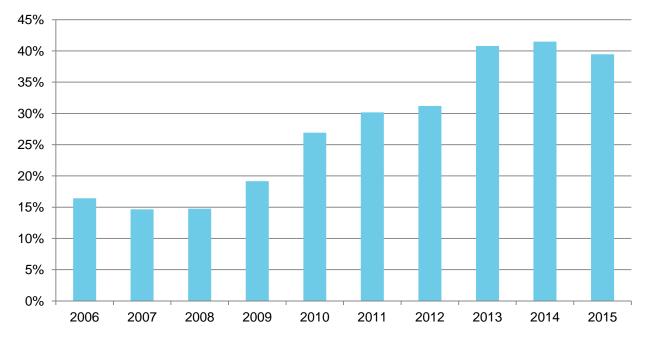


Source: National Statistics Bureau, CBS



## Decline in 'underwater mortgages'

Underwater mortgages (% of total mortgages)

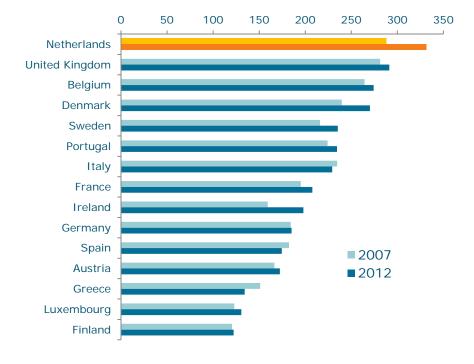


Source: National Statistics (2016)

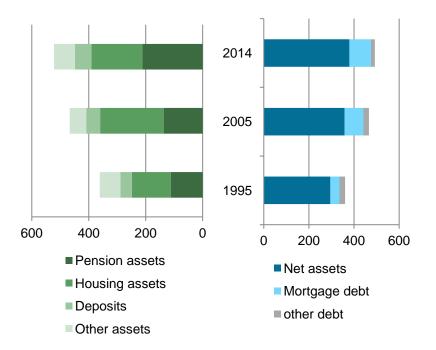


## Households have strong asset position

#### Household financial assets (% GDP)



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

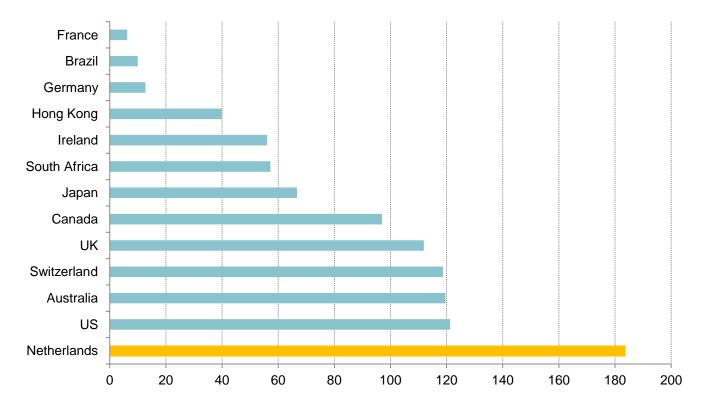


Source: DNB in the government's Budget Memorandum

Source: Eurostat, 2013



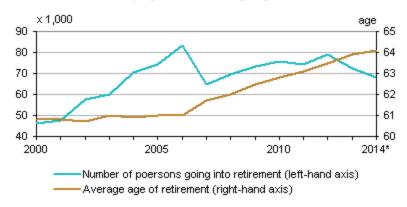
## Pension assets internationally (% GDP in 2014)



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

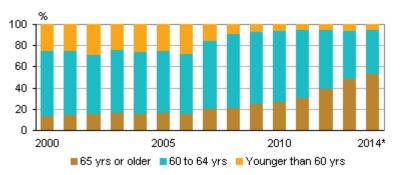


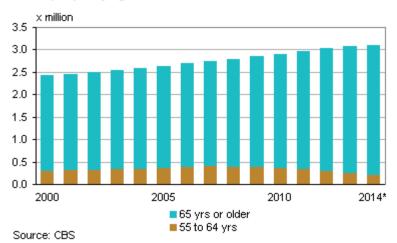
## Pensions: reforms to achieve sustainability



Number of retired employees and average age of retirement







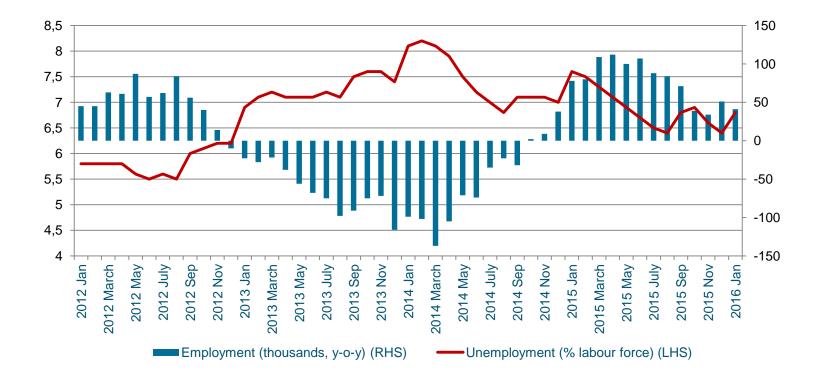
#### Retired people by age

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

Source: National Statistics, 2014



## Labour market recovery

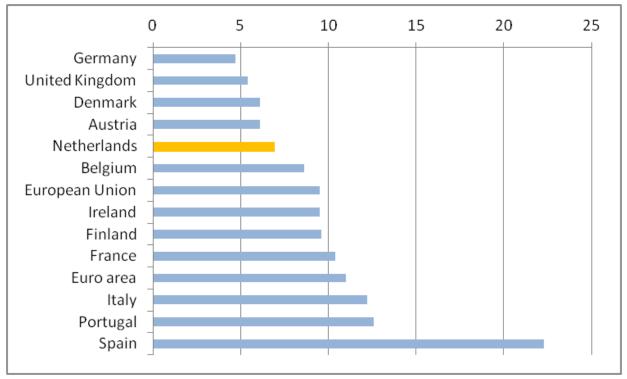


Source: National Statistics Bureau



#### Unemployment remains low in European context

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

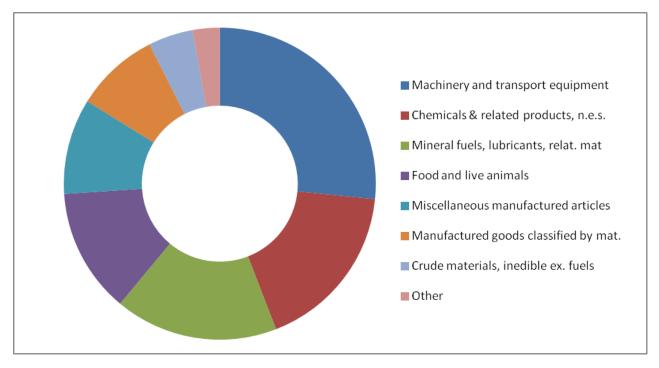


Source: Eurostat



#### **Diversified Dutch exports**

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



Source: National Statistics Bureau, CBS (2014 data)

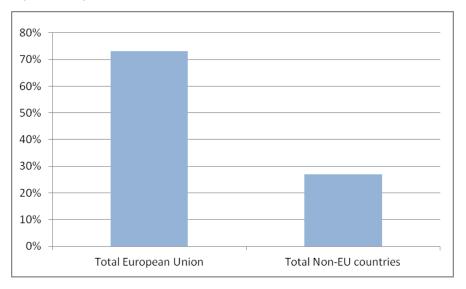


#### Export performance by country destination

| Rank | Country                     | Share |
|------|-----------------------------|-------|
| 1    | Germany                     | 24,1% |
| 2    | Belgium                     | 11,0% |
| 3    | United Kingdom              | 8,5%  |
| 4    | France                      | 8,2%  |
| 5    | United States of<br>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<br>Real Money<br>Others |      | f:<br>33 %<br>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<br>Real Money<br>Others |      | f:<br>100%<br>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

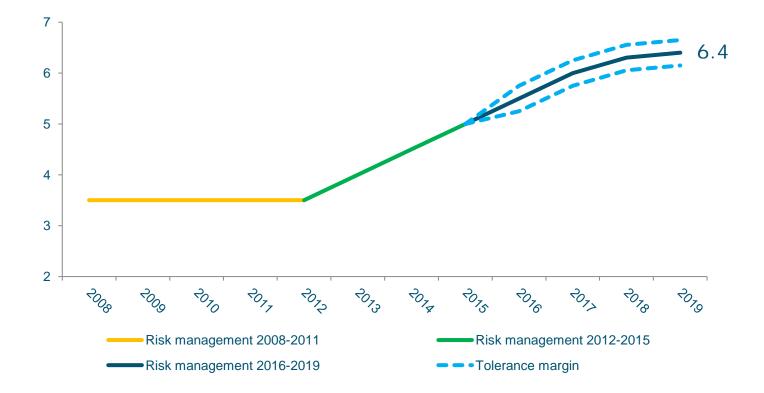


#### Interest rate risk framework 2008 - 2015

- 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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