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PRESS RELEASE

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Amsterdam, 1 July 2014

ING prices NN Group shares at EUR 20.00 in IPO

NN Group shares to start trading on Euronext Amsterdam on 2 July 2014

IPO results in approx. EUR 1.5 billion in gross proceeds for ING

ING's ownership of NN Group reduced to 71.4%, including exchange of first tranche of subordinated notes into NN Group shares and excluding exercise of over-allotment option

Offer price values NN Group at EUR 7.0 billion

ING is selling 77 million ordinary shares in the Initial Public Offering (IPO) of NN Group at an offer price of EUR 20.00 per share, resulting in approximately EUR 1.5 billion in gross proceeds for ING. Including the exchange into NN Group shares of EUR 450 million of mandatorily subordinated notes and excluding the exercise of the over-allotment option, gross proceeds to ING at settlement of the IPO amount to approximately EUR 2.0 billion. ING intends to use the net proceeds of the offering to reduce ING's double leverage.

Based on 350 million NN Group shares outstanding at settlement of the IPO, the offer price implies a total market capitalisation for NN Group of EUR 7.0 billion. Of the offered shares, approximately 94.8% was allocated to Dutch and international institutional investors and approximately 5.2% to retail investors in the Netherlands.

NN Group shares are expected to be listed and start trading on Euronext Amsterdam at 09:00 hours (CET) on 2 July 2014 (on an if-and-when-delivered basis) under the listing name NN Group and the symbol NN. The settlement date and the start of unconditional trading are expected to take place on 7 July 2014.

As announced on 30 April 2014, ING secured pre-IPO investments for an aggregate sum of EUR 1.275 billion from three investment firms. This amount consisted of a participation in the IPO as anchor investors for an aggregate sum of EUR 150 million, and the sale of EUR 1.125 billion of subordinated notes mandatorily exchangeable by ING into NN Group shares in three tranches. The first tranche of an aggregate amount of EUR 450 million plus accrued interest will be exchanged into NN Group shares at settlement of the IPO at EUR 19.70 per share (a 1.5% discount to the final offer price). The remaining two tranches, each for an aggregate amount of EUR 337.5 million, will be mandatorily exchanged into NN Group shares from 2015 onwards, at terms previously disclosed on 30 April 2014.

The sale of 77 million shares in the IPO and the exchange of the EUR 450 million subordinated notes into NN Group shares reduces ING's ownership in NN Group to 71.4% at the settlement of the IPO. ING has granted the joint global

coordinators, on behalf of the underwriters, an over-allotment option to purchase up to approximately 11.6 million additional shares in NN Group (up to 15% of the offer shares) at the offer price. The over-allotment option can be exercised until 30 days after the first trading date. If this option is fully exercised, ING's ownership in NN Group will be further reduced to 68.1%.

Following the IPO, ING intends to reduce its shareholding in NN Group to below 50% before 31 December 2015 and divest the remaining stake before 31 December 2016, in an orderly manner and in line with the timeline ING has agreed with the European Commission. ING retains full flexibility in the way it may execute the divestment of the remaining stake in NN Group post IPO, subject to certain lock-up arrangements agreed with the underwriters.

Upon completion of the transaction announced today, NN Group will continue to be consolidated by ING. Upon completion, and excluding the over-allotment option, this offering will have an estimated negative impact of approximately EUR 3.4 billion on the shareholders' equity of ING Group. This impact, which will be recorded in ING Group's Third Quarter 2014 Results, is the sum of three elements:

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EUR 1.9 billion, being the difference between the net proceeds of this offering to ING and the IFRS book value of the 22.0% stake in NN Group divested through this offering at IPO;

EUR 0.6 billion, being the difference between the market value of the NN Group shares exchanged for the first tranche of mandatorily exchangeable subordinated notes, and the IFRS book value of these shares; and

EUR 0.9 billion, being a provision against equity that reflects the difference between the market value of the NN Group shares to be exchanged for the second and third tranches of mandatorily exchangeable notes, and the IFRS book value of these shares.

The impacts described above are an approximation based on the offer price and the book value as at 31 March 2014 adjusted for EUR 850 million capital injected into NN Group, as announced on 7 May 2014. The actual amount of any impact on the shareholders' equity of ING Group may differ and will depend on the IFRS book value of the NN Group shares at the settlement date of the IPO.

In connection with the pricing of the IPO, a pricing statement has been deposited with the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Stichting Autoriteit Financiële Markten*; AFM) and is electronically available on the website of NN Group (www.nn-group.com) and on the website of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. (www.euronext.com). Printed copies are available at the registered office of NN Group.

NN Group and ING and their affiliates have agreed certain lock-up arrangements with the underwriters, effective until 3 January 2015, subject to certain exceptions. The anchor investors RRJ Capital, Temasek and SeaTown have agreed to a lock-up on the shares that they will receive as a result of the exchange into NN Group shares of the first tranche of mandatorily exchangeable subordinated notes. This lock-up period is effective until 16 February 2015.

More information about NN Group and the IPO is available in the prospectus dated 17 June 2014, copies of which may, subject to securities law restrictions in certain jurisdictions, be obtained at no cost from NN Group's head office during normal business hours. Alternatively, the prospectus can be downloaded from NN Group's website at www.nn-group.com. This prospectus can also be found on the website of the AFM at www.afm.nl (Dutch residents only). In addition, a copy of the prospectus may be obtained free of charge by sending a request in writing or by email to ING Bank N.V. as Listing Agent: ING Bank N.V., Attn.: Paying Agency Services, Location code AMP L02.007, Amsterdamse Poort, Bijlmerplein 888, 1102 MG Amsterdam, the Netherlands, email iss.pas@ing.nl.

J.P. Morgan, Morgan Stanley, ING Bank and Deutsche Bank are acting as joint global co-ordinators for the IPO. BNP Paribas, Citigroup, Commerzbank, Credit Suisse and Nomura as well as the joint global coordinators are acting as the joint bookrunners for the IPO. ABN Amro, HSBC and RBC Capital Markets are the joint lead managers, and Keefe, Bruyette & Woods and Rabobank International are the senior co-lead managers for the IPO. BBVA, Erste Group, KBC Securities, Mediobanca, Natixis, Raiffeisen Centrobank and UniCredit are the co-lead managers for the IPO.

INFORMATION FOR EDITORS

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Photos of the NN Group listing event at Euronext Amsterdam will be made available on 2 July at www.flickr.com/photos/nn-group. For further information on NN Group, please visit www.nn-group.com.

Photos of ING operations, buildings and its executives are available for download at www.flickr.com/photos/inggroup. Footage (B-roll) of ING is available via www.videobankonline.com, or can be requested by emailing info@videobankonline.com. ING presentations are available at www.slideshare.net/ING. For further information on ING, please visit www.ing.com.

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ING PROFILE

ING is a global financial institution of Dutch origin offering services through its operating companies ING Bank and NN Group. The purpose of **ING Bank** is empowering people to stay a step ahead in life and in business. ING Bank's 63,000 employees offer retail and commercial banking services to customers in over 40 countries.

ING Group shares are listed (in the form of depositary receipts) on the exchanges of Amsterdam (INGA NA/ING.AS),

Brussels and on the New York Stock Exchange (ADRs: ING US/ING.N). Sustainability forms an integral part of ING's corporate strategy, which is evidenced by ING being included in the Dow Jones Sustainability Index (Europe and World) and the FTS4Good index.

NN GROUP PROFILE

NN Group is an insurance and investment management company with a strong, predominantly European presence in more than 18 countries. With over 12,000 employees the group offers retirement services, insurance, investments and banking. NN Group includes Nationale-Nederlanden, ING Insurance Europe, ING Investment Management and ING Life Japan, which are jointly preparing to become an independent, standalone company, separate from ING Group. NN Group is currently a fully-owned subsidiary of ING Group.

IMPORTANT LEGAL INFORMATION

Certain of the statements contained in this document are not historical facts, including, without limitation, certain statements made of future expectations and other forward-looking statements that are based on management's current views and assumptions and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, performance or events to differ materially from those expressed or implied in such statements. Actual results, performance or events may differ materially from those in such statements due to, without limitation: (1) changes in general economic conditions, in particular economic conditions in ING's core markets, (2) changes in performance of financial markets, including developing markets, (3) consequences of a potential (partial) break-up of the euro, (4) the implementation of ING's restructuring plan to separate banking and insurance operations, (5) changes in the availability of, and costs associated with, sources of liquidity such as interbank funding, as well as conditions in the credit markets generally, including changes in borrower and counterparty creditworthiness, (6) the frequency and severity of insured loss events, (7) changes affecting mortality and morbidity levels and trends, (8) changes affecting persistency levels, (9) changes affecting interest rate levels, (10) changes affecting currency exchange rates, (11) changes in investor, customer and policyholder behaviour, (12) changes in general competitive factors, (13) changes in laws and regulations, (14) changes in the policies of governments and/or regulatory authorities, (15) conclusions with regard to purchase accounting assumptions and methodologies, (16) changes in ownership that

could affect the future availability to us of net operating loss, net capital and built-in loss carry forwards, (17) changes in credit-ratings, (18) ING's ability to achieve projected operational synergies and (19) the other risks and uncertainties detailed in the risk factors section contained in the most recent annual report of ING Groep N.V.

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The Shares are not and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the U.S. Securities Act) and will also not be registered with any authority competent with respect to securities in any state or other jurisdiction of the United States of America. The Shares may not be offered or sold in the United States of America absent registration or an applicable exemption from the registration requirements under the U.S. Securities Act. There will be no public offering of Shares in the United States. Any Shares sold in the United States will be sold only to qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act) in reliance on Rule 144A.

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No action has been taken by NN Group that would permit an offer of Shares or the possession or distribution of these materials or any other offering or publicity material relating to such Shares in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required.

The release, publication or distribution of these materials in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law and therefore persons in such jurisdictions into which they are released, published or distributed, should inform themselves about, and observe, such restrictions.

This announcement does not constitute a prospectus. An offer to acquire Shares pursuant to a proposed offering is made, and any investor should make his investment, solely on the basis of information contained in the prospectus, copies of which may be obtained at no cost from NN Group or through the website of NN Group, or through the other means set out above.

J.P. Morgan, Morgan Stanley, ING Bank and Deutsche Bank and the other managers named herein act exclusively for ING Group and NN Group and no-one else in connection with any offering of Shares and will not be responsible to anyone other than ING Group for providing the protections afforded to their respective customers or for providing advice in relation to any offering or any transaction or arrangement referred to herein.

In connection with the offering, J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. Securities Ltd. as stabilisation agent, or its agents, on behalf of the other managers named herein, may, to the extent permitted by applicable laws, over-allot or effect transactions with a view to supporting the market price of the shares, or any options, warrants or rights with respect to, or other interest in, the shares, if any, or other securities of NN Group. These activities may raise or maintain the market price of the shares above independent market levels or prevent or retard a decline in the market price of the shares. Such transactions may be effected on Euronext Amsterdam, in the over-the-counter markets or otherwise. The stabilisation agent and its agents are not required to engage in any of these activities and, as such, there is no assurance that these activities will be undertaken. Such stabilisation, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time. Stabilising activities may take place from the first trading date and must be brought to an end within 30 days after the first trading date. Save as required by law or regulation, the stabilisation agent does not intend to disclose the extent of any stabilisation transactions under the offering. The stabilisation agent may, for stabilisation purposes, over-allot NN Group shares up to a maximum of 15% of the total number of shares sold in the offering.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ING Groep N.V.
(Registrant)

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By: /s/ C. Blokbergen
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