# FIRST SUPPLEMENT TO THE BASE PROSPECTUS DATED 23 MAY 2019



BNG Bank N.V. (formerly named N.V. Bank Nederlandse Gemeenten)

(Incorporated in the Netherlands with limited liability and having its statutory domicile in The Hague and registered in the trade register of the Chamber of Commerce under no. 27008387)

# Euro 100,000,000,000

# Debt issuance programme

BNG Bank N.V. (the "<u>Issuer</u>") may from time to time offer debt instruments (the "<u>Notes</u>") pursuant to a programme of issuance established on 7 December 1993 (as amended) (the "<u>Programme</u>"). The sum of the aggregate principal amount of Notes outstanding at any time under the Programme will not exceed Euro 100,000,000,000 (or its equivalent in other currencies). This first supplemental prospectus (the "<u>Supplemental Prospectus</u>") is based on Article 5:23 of the Dutch Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het Financieel Toezicht*) and prepared in connection with the issue by the Issuer of Notes and is supplemental to, forms part of and should be read in conjunction with, the prospectus in relation to the Programme dated 23 May 2019 (the "<u>Base Prospectus</u>"). Terms defined in the Base Prospectus shall have the same meaning in this Supplemental Prospectus, unless specified otherwise.

The purpose of this Supplemental Prospectus is to:

- (A) incorporate by reference into the Base Prospectus the interim report with respect to the Issuer's half yearly financial statements for the six month period ended 30 June 2019 (as announced by way of a press release on 9 September 2019 and made available at https://www.bngbank.com/Pages/Interim-results-2019-Increased-demand-pushes-loan-volume.aspx) (the "Interim Report"); and
- (B) provide for the possibility of Notes being issued referencing Compounded Daily SOFR.

This Supplemental Prospectus has been approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Stichting Autoriteit Financiële Markten*, the "<u>AFM</u>"), which is the Netherlands competent authority for the purpose of Directive 2003/71/EC (the "<u>Prospectus Directive</u>", which term includes amendments thereto or supersession thereof, to the extent implemented in a relevant Member State of the European Economic Area to which is referred) and relevant implementing measures in the Netherlands, as a supplemental prospectus issued in compliance with the Prospectus Directive, Commission Regulation EC No. 809/2004 (as amended) (the "<u>Prospectus Regulation</u>") and relevant implementing measures in the Netherlands for the purpose of giving information with regard to the issue of Notes under the Programme during the period of twelve months after the date of the Base Prospectus.

Application may be made for Notes issued under the Programme to be admitted to trading on Euronext in Amsterdam ("<u>Euronext Amsterdam</u>"), the regulated market of Euronext Amsterdam N.V., the SIX Swiss Exchange and the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. The Programme also permits Notes to be issued on the basis that they will not be admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation by any listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system.

The AFM has been requested by the Issuer to provide the competent authorities of Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Norway, Portugal,

Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom with a certificate of approval attesting that this Supplemental Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or any U.S. state securities laws and the Notes may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States, or to or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S ("Regulation S") under the Securities Act), except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable U.S. state securities laws, or pursuant to an effective registration statement. The Notes may be offered and sold (a) in bearer form or registered form outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act and (b) in registered form within the United States to persons who are "qualified institutional buyers" ("QIBs") in reliance on Rule 144A ("Rule 144A") under the Securities Act and outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S. Prospective purchasers who are QIBs are hereby notified that sellers of the Notes may be relying on the exemption from the provisions of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A. For a description of these and certain further restrictions on offers, sales and transfers of Notes and distribution of this Supplemental Prospectus together with the Base Prospectus, see "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions" in the Base Prospectus. The Notes in bearer form are subject to United States tax law requirements.

# PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS SHOULD HAVE REGARD TO THE FACTORS DESCRIBED UNDER THE SECTION HEADED "RISK FACTORS" IN THE BASE PROSPECTUS AS AMENDED BY WAY OF THIS SUPPLEMENTAL PROSPECTUS.

This Supplemental Prospectus is supplemental to, forms part of, and should be read in conjunction and construed together with, the Base Prospectus, including any documents incorporated by reference therein, which can be found on the website of the Issuer (www.bngbank.com), and in relation to any Tranche (as defined therein) of Notes, the Base Prospectus and this Supplemental Prospectus should be read and construed together with the relevant Final Terms.

The date of this Supplemental Prospectus is 9 September 2019.

# **IMPORTANT NOTICES**

The Issuer has confirmed that the Base Prospectus and this Supplemental Prospectus contain all information regarding the Issuer, the Programme and (subject to being completed by any final terms (each the "<u>Final Terms</u>") as referred to on page 111 of the Base Prospectus) the Notes to be issued under the Programme which is (in the context of the Programme and the issue of the Notes) material and such information is true and accurate in all respects and is not misleading. The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in the Base Prospectus and this Supplemental Prospectus. To the best of the knowledge of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in the Base Prospectus and this Supplemental Prospectus is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

The Base Prospectus and this Supplemental Prospectus have been prepared on the basis that, except to the extent sub-paragraph (ii) below may apply, any offer of Notes in any Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a "Relevant Member State") will be made pursuant to an exemption under the Prospectus Directive, as implemented in that Relevant Member State, from the requirement to publish a prospectus for offers of Notes. Accordingly any person making or intending to make an offer in that Relevant Member State of Notes which are the subject of an offering contemplated in the Base Prospectus and this Supplemental Prospectus as completed by Final Terms in relation to the offer of those Notes may only do so:

- (i) in circumstances in which no obligation arises for the Issuer or any Dealer (as defined in the amended and restated dealer agreement relating to the Programme dated 23 May 2019 between the Issuer, RBC Europe Limited as arranger and the dealers party thereto) to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive, in each case, in relation to such offer; or
- (ii) in the circumstances described under "Non-exempt Offers of Non-exempt Offer Notes in the European Economic Area" in the Base Prospectus.

Except to the extent sub-paragraph (ii) above may apply, neither the Issuer nor any Dealer have authorised, nor do they authorise, the making of any offer of Notes in circumstances in which an obligation arises for the Issuer or any Dealer to publish or supplement a prospectus for such offer.

The Issuer has not authorised the making or provision of any representation or information regarding the Issuer or the Notes other than as contained or incorporated by reference in the Base Prospectus, this Supplemental Prospectus or any Final Terms or as approved in writing for such purpose by the Issuer. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuer or the Dealers.

Neither the Agents (as defined in the amended and restated issuing and paying agency agreement relating to the Programme dated 23 May 2019 between the Issuer and the other parties thereto), the Dealers nor any of their respective affiliates (excluding the Issuer) have authorised the whole or any part of this Supplemental Prospectus and none of them makes any representation or warranty or accepts any responsibility as to the accuracy or completeness of the information contained in this Supplemental Prospectus. The delivery of the Base Prospectus, this Supplemental Prospectus or any Final Terms and the offering, sale or delivery of any Notes shall not in any circumstances create any implication that there has been no adverse change in the financial situation of the Issuer since the date hereof or, as the case may be, the date upon which the Base Prospectus has been most recently amended or supplemented or that there has been no adverse change, or any event reasonably likely to involve any adverse change, in the prospects or financial or trading position of the Issuer since the date hereof or, if later, the date upon which the Base Prospectus has been most recently amended or supplemented or that any other information

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supplied in connection with the Programme is correct at any time subsequent to the date on which it is supplied or, if different, the date indicated in the document containing the same.

The distribution of the Base Prospectus, this Supplemental Prospectus and any Final Terms and the offering, sale and delivery of the Notes in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession the Base Prospectus or this Supplemental Prospectus comes are required by the Issuer and the Dealers to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Notes and on distribution of the Base Prospectus, this Supplemental Prospectus and other offering material relating to the Notes see "Plan of Distribution" in the Base Prospectus.

In particular, the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any U.S. state securities laws. The Notes may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States, or to, or for the account or benefit of U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S), except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable U.S. state securities laws, or pursuant to an effective registration statement. Subject to certain exceptions, the Notes in bearer form are subject to United States tax law requirements. Notes in bearer form may generally not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to United States persons, as those terms are defined in the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and by the U.S. Treasury Regulations thereunder.

The Notes may be offered and sold (a) in bearer form or registered form outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S and (b) in registered form within the United States to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A and outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S. Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that sellers of the Notes may be relying on the exemption from the provisions of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A. For a description of these and certain further restrictions on offers, sales and transfers of Notes, see "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions" in the Base Prospectus.

Neither the Programme nor the Notes have been approved or disapproved by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, any state securities commission in the United States or any other U.S. regulatory authority, nor have any of the foregoing authorities passed upon or endorsed the merits of any offering of the Notes or the accuracy of the Base Prospectus or this Supplemental Prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offence in the United States.

The Base Prospectus and this Supplemental Prospectus do not constitute an offer of, or an invitation to subscribe for or purchase, any Notes and should not be considered as a recommendation by the Issuer or the Dealers that any recipient of the Base Prospectus or this Supplemental Prospectus should subscribe for or purchase any Notes. Each recipient shall be taken to have made its own investigation and appraisal of the financial condition of the Issuer.

Only investors who have already agreed to purchase or subscribe for Notes before the date of this Supplemental Prospectus have the right, exercisable within two working days after the date of this Supplemental Prospectus to withdraw their acceptances.

The Issuer has given undertakings in connection with the listing of the Notes on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and Euronext Amsterdam to the effect that, so long as any Note remains outstanding and listed on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or Euronext Amsterdam (as the case may be), in the event of any material adverse change in the financial condition of the Issuer which is not reflected in the Base Prospectus or this Supplemental Prospectus or if a significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to information included in the Base Prospectus or this Supplemental Prospectus arises or is noticed, the Issuer will prepare a supplement to the Base Prospectus or publish a new Base Prospectus for use in connection with any subsequent issue of Notes to be listed on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or Euronext Amsterdam (as the case may be). If the terms of the Programme are modified or amended in a manner which would make the Base Prospectus, as



# **CHANGES TO THE BASE PROSPECTUS**

# 1. **Summary**

The Summary to the Programme included in the Base Prospectus is made up of disclosure requirements known as "Elements". These Elements are numbered in Sections A to E (A.1 - E.4).

Following the inclusion of Compounded Daily SOFR in the Base Prospectus, the second paragraph under the section entitled "Issuer Specific Summary" in Element C.9 of the Summary to the Programme is updated as set out below:

"[Floating Rate Notes: The Notes are Floating Rate Notes. The Notes bear a floating rate of interest from [] of [LIBOR/EURIBOR/EONIA/SONIA/SOFR/CMS London/CMS Brussels] [+/–][ ] per cent. [per annum] payable [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/monthly] in arrear on [] in each year, subject to adjustment in accordance with the [] Business Day Convention.]".

Following the inclusion of Compounded Daily SOFR in the Base Prospectus, Element D.3 of the Summary to the Programme is updated by replacing the last bullet point under the section entitled "Risks Related to the structure of a particular issue of Notes" with the following:

"• The market continues to develop in relation to SONIA and SOFR as reference rates for Floating Rate Notes".

#### 2. Risk Factors

The Risk Factors section commencing on page 22 of the Base Prospectus is supplemented by replacing the last risk factor entitled "The market continues to develop in relation to Sterling Overnight Index Average ("SONIA") as a reference rate for Floating Rate Notes" at the end of the sub-section entitled "Risks related to the structure of a particular issue of Notes" with the following:

"The market continues to develop in relation to the Sterling Overnight Index Average ("**SONIA**") and the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("**SOFR**") as reference rates for Floating Rate Notes

On 29 November 2017, the Bank of England and the FCA announced that the Bank of England's Working Group on Sterling Risk-Free Rates had been mandated with implementing a broad-based transition to the SONIA over the following four years across sterling bond, loan and derivatives markets, so that SONIA is established as the primary sterling interest rate benchmark by the end of 2021. Investors should be aware that the market continues to develop in relation to SONIA as a reference rate in the capital markets and its adoption as an alternative to Sterling LIBOR. In particular, market participants and relevant working groups are exploring alternative reference rates based on SONIA, including term SONIA reference rates (which seek to measure the market's forward expectation of an average SONIA rate over a designated term). The market or a significant part thereof may adopt an application of SONIA that differs significantly from that set out in the Terms and Conditions as applicable to Notes referencing a SONIA rate that are issued under this Base Prospectus. Furthermore the Issuer may in the future issue Notes referencing SONIA that differ materially in terms of interest determination when compared with any previous SONIA referenced-Notes issued by it under the Programme. The development of Compounded Daily SONIA as an interest reference rate for the Eurobond markets, as well as continued development of SONIA-based rates for such market and the market infrastructure for adopting such rates, could result in reduced liquidity or increased volatility or could otherwise affect the market price of any SONIA-referenced Notes issued under the Programme from time to time.

SOFR is published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (the "Federal Reserve") and is intended to be a broad measure of the cost of borrowing cash overnight collateralised by Treasury securities. The Federal Reserve notes on its publication page for SOFR that the Federal Reserve may alter the methods of calculation, publication schedule, rate revision practices or availability of SOFR at any time without notice. Because SOFR is published by the Federal Reserve based on

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data received from other sources, the Issuer has no control over its determination, calculation or publication. There can be no guarantee that SOFR will not be discontinued or fundamentally altered in a manner that is materially adverse to the interests of investors in Floating Rate Notes linked to SOFR. If the manner in which SOFR is calculated is changed, that change may result in a reduction of the amount of interest payable on such Notes and the trading prices of such Notes. The Federal Reserve began to publish SOFR in April 2018. The Federal Reserve has also begun publishing historical indicative SOFR rates going back to 2014. Investors should not rely on any historical changes or trends in SOFR as an indicator of future changes in SOFR.

Furthermore, interest on Notes which reference Compounded Daily SONIA or Compounded Daily SOFR are only capable of being determined at the end of the relevant Observation Period or Interest Period (as applicable) and immediately prior to the relevant Interest Payment Date. It may be difficult for investors in Notes which reference Compounded Daily SONIA or Compounded Daily SOFR to estimate reliably the amount of interest which will be payable on such Notes, and some investors may be unable or unwilling to trade such Notes without changes to their IT systems, both of which could adversely impact the liquidity of such Notes. Further, in contrast to, for example, EURIBOR or LIBOR-based Notes, if Notes referencing Compounded Daily SONIA or Compounded Daily SOFR become due and payable as a result of an event of default under Condition 7 (*Events of Default*), the rate of interest payable for the final Interest Period in respect of such Notes shall only be determined on the date on which the Notes become due and payable and shall not be reset thereafter.

In addition, the manner of adoption or application of SONIA reference rates or SOFR reference rates in the Eurobond markets may differ materially compared with the application and adoption of SONIA or SOFR in other markets, such as the derivatives and loan markets. Investors should carefully consider how any mismatch between the adoption of SONIA reference rates or SOFR reference rates across these markets may impact any hedging or other financial arrangements which they may put in place in connection with any acquisition, holding or disposal of Notes referencing Compounded Daily SONIA or Compounded Daily SOFR.

Investors should consider these matters when making their investment decision with respect to any such Notes.

Since SONIA and SOFR are relatively new market indices, Notes which reference Compounded Daily SONIA or Compounded Daily SOFR may have no established trading market when issued, and an established trading market may never develop or may not be very liquid. Market terms for debt securities indexed to SONIA or SOFR such as the spread over the index reflected in interest rate provisions, may evolve over time, and trading prices of such Notes may be lower than those of later-issued indexed debt securities as a result. Further, if SONIA or SOFR does not prove to be widely used in securities like Notes which reference Compounded Daily SONIA or Compounded Daily SOFR, the trading price of such Notes which reference Compounded Daily SONIA or Compounded Daily SOFR may be lower than those of Notes linked to indices that are more widely used. Investors in such Notes may not be able to sell such Notes at all or may not be able to sell such Notes at prices that will provide them with a yield comparable to similar investments that have a developed secondary market, and may consequently suffer from increased pricing volatility and market risk. There can also be no guarantee that SONIA and/or SOFR will not be discontinued or fundamentally altered in a manner that is materially adverse to the interests of investors in Notes which reference Compounded Daily SONIA or Compounded Daily SOFR (as applicable). If the manner in which SONIA or SOFR is calculated is changed, that change may result in a reduction of the amount of interest payable on such Notes and the trading prices of such Notes.

# 3. **Documents Incorporated by Reference**

On pages 62-63 of the Base Prospectus under "Documents Incorporated by Reference" reference should also be made to the following documents, which shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and to form part of, the Base Prospectus:

 The Interim Report for the six month period ended 30 June 2019 of the Issuer that includes financial statements on pages 13 - 21 and the review report of PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V. delivered in connection therewith on page 56.

The Interim Report should be read in conjunction and construed together with the information set forth, or incorporated by reference, in the Base Prospectus, including the information under "Operating and Financial Review" of the Base Prospectus.

# 4. Amendments to Condition 5B.(3)

The introductory paragraph of Condition 5B.(3) on page 77 of the Base Prospectus is updated as follows:

"Where "Screen Rate Determination" is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined (the "Rate of Interest") and the Reference Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being a Reference Rate other than SONIA or SOFR, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will (subject to Condition 5B.(5)), subject as provided below, be either:".

In addition, the following wording shall be inserted at the end of Condition 5B.(3) on page 80 of the Base Prospectus as a new paragraph:

"Where "Screen Rate Determination" is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined and the Reference Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being SOFR, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will (subject to Condition 5B.(5)), subject as provided below, be Compounded Daily SOFR plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin.

The Rate of Interest for each relevant Interest Period shall be determined by the Calculation Agent on each Interest Determination Date in accordance with the following provisions. The Rate of Interest for each Interest Period shall apply with effect from the Reset Date for that Interest Period.

"Interest Period" means the period beginning on and including the Interest Commencement Date (the settlement date) to but excluding the first Interest Payment Date and each successive period beginning on and including an Interest Payment Date to but excluding the next succeeding Interest Payment Date, in each case, as adjusted in accordance with the relevant Business Day Convention.

"Compounded Daily SOFR" means the rate of return of a daily compounded interest investment (with the daily secured overnight financing rate as the reference rate for the calculation of interest) calculated in accordance with the formula below and the resulting percentage being rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards:

$$\left[ \prod_{i=1}^{d_o} \left( 1 + \frac{SOFR_{i-pUSBD} X n_i}{360} \right) - 1 \right] \times \frac{360}{d}$$

where:

"d" is the number of calendar days in the relevant Interest Period;

"d<sub>o</sub>" for any Interest Period, means the number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days in the relevant Interest Period;

"i" is a series of whole numbers from one to d<sub>o</sub>, each representing the relevant U.S. Government Securities Business Days in chronological order from and including the first U.S. Government Securities Business Day in the relevant Interest Period;

"n<sub>i</sub>" for any U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i" means the number of calendar days from, and including, such U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i" up to, but excluding, the following U.S. Government Securities Business Day;

"p" means the whole number specified as the Observation Look-back Period in the applicable Final Terms, such number representing a number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days and which shall not be specified in the applicable Final Terms as less than five without the prior agreement of the Calculation Agent;

"Reset Date" means the first day of each Interest Period;

"SOFR<sub>i-pUSBD</sub>" means the SOFR Reference Rate for the U.S. Government Securities Business Day falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the relevant U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i";

"SOFR Reference Rate" means, in respect of any U.S. Government Securities Business Day, a reference rate equal to the daily secured overnight financing rate ("SOFR") for such U.S. Government Securities Business Day as provided by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, as the administrator of such rate, (or any successor administrator of such rate) on the website of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York currently at <a href="http://www.newyorkfed.org">http://www.newyorkfed.org</a>, or any successor website of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (the "New York Fed's Website") (in each case, on or about at 3:00 p.m., New York City time, on the U.S. Government Securities Business Day) immediately following such U.S. Government Securities Business Day);

**"U.S. Government Securities Business Day"** or **"USBD"** means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (**"SIFMA"**) recommends that the fixed income departments of its members be closed for the entire day for purposes of trading in U.S. Government Securities;

If the SOFR Reference Rate in respect of a U.S. Government Securities Business Day cannot be determined as specified in the SOFR Reference Rate definition, unless both a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date (each, as defined below) have occurred, the SOFR Reference Rate for such U.S. Government Securities Business Day shall be the SOFR Reference Rate in respect of the last U.S. Government Securities Business Day for which such rate was published on the New York Fed's Website.

If the Calculation Agent determines that a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred prior to the Interest Determination Date in respect of any Interest Payment Date, the Benchmark Replacement will replace the then-current Benchmark for all purposes relating to the notes in respect of such determination on such date and all determinations on all subsequent dates.

# As used herein:

"Benchmark" means, initially, the SOFR Reference Rate, as defined above; provided that if a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred with respect to the SOFR Reference Rate or the then-current Benchmark, then "Benchmark" means the applicable Benchmark Replacement.

"Benchmark Replacement" means the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by the Calculation Agent as of the Benchmark Replacement Date:

- (i) the sum of: (a) the alternate rate of interest that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body as the replacement for the then-current Benchmark and (b) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;
- (ii) the sum of: (a) the ISDA Fallback Rate and (b) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;

(iii) provided that if (1) the Benchmark Replacement cannot be determined in accordance with paragraph (i) or (ii) above as of the Benchmark Replacement Date or (2) the Calculation Agent shall have determined that the ISDA Fallback Rate determined in accordance with paragraph (ii) above is not an industry-accepted rate of interest as a replacement for the then-current Benchmark for U.S. dollar denominated floating rate notes at such time, then the Benchmark Replacement shall be the sum of: (a) the alternate rate of interest that has been selected by the Calculation Agent as the replacement for the then-current Benchmark giving due consideration to any industry-accepted rate of interest as a replacement for the then-current Benchmark for U.S. dollar-denominated floating rate notes at such time and (b) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment.

"Benchmark Replacement Adjustment" means the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by the Calculation Agent as of the Benchmark Replacement Date:

- (i) the spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, (which may be a positive or negative value or zero), that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body for the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement;
- (ii) if the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement is equivalent to the ISDA Fallback Rate, then the ISDA Fallback Adjustment;
- (iii) the spread adjustment (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that has been selected by the Calculation Agent giving due consideration to any industry-accepted spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, for the replacement of the then- current Benchmark with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement for U.S. dollar- denominated floating rate notes at such time.

"Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes" means, with respect to any Benchmark Replacement, any technical, administrative or operational changes (including changes to the definitions of "Interest Period" and "Interest Determination Date", timing and frequency of determining rates and making payments of interest, and other administrative matters) that the Calculation Agent decides may be appropriate to reflect the adoption of such Benchmark Replacement in a manner substantially consistent with market practice (or, if the Calculation Agent decides that adoption of any portion of such market practice is not administratively feasible or if the Calculation Agent determines that no market practice for use of the Benchmark Replacement exists, in such other manner as the Calculation Agent determines is reasonably necessary).

"Benchmark Replacement Date" means the earliest to occur of the following events with respect to the then-current Benchmark:

- (i) in the case of paragraph (i) or (ii) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the later of (a) the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein and (b) the date on which the administrator of the Benchmark permanently or indefinitely ceases to provide the Benchmark; or
- (ii) in the case of paragraph (iii) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein.
- (iii) For the avoidance of doubt, if the event giving rise to the Benchmark Replacement Date occurs on the same day as the Interest Determination Date, but earlier than, the Reference Time on that date, the Benchmark Replacement Date will be deemed to have occurred prior to the Reference Time for such determination.

"Benchmark Transition Event" means the occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to the then-current Benchmark:

(i) a public statement or publication of information by or on behalf of the administrator of the

Benchmark announcing that such administrator has ceased or will cease to provide the Benchmark, permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the Benchmark;

- (ii) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the Benchmark, the central bank for the currency of the Benchmark, an insolvency official with jurisdiction over the administrator for the Benchmark, a resolution authority with jurisdiction over the administrator for the Benchmark or a court or an entity with similar insolvency or resolution authority over the administrator for the Benchmark, which states that the administrator of the Benchmark has ceased or will cease to provide the Benchmark permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the Benchmark; or
- (iii) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the Benchmark announcing that the Benchmark is no longer representative.

"ISDA Definitions" means the 2006 ISDA Definitions published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. or any successor thereto, as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor definitional booklet for interest rate derivatives published from time to time.

"ISDA Fallback Adjustment" means the spread adjustment (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that would apply for derivatives transactions referencing the ISDA Definitions to be determined upon the occurrence of an index cessation event with respect to the Benchmark for the applicable tenor.

"ISDA Fallback Rate" means the rate that would apply for derivatives transactions referencing the ISDA Definitions to be effective upon the occurrence of an index cessation date with respect to the Benchmark for the applicable tenor excluding the applicable ISDA Fallback Adjustment.

"Reference Time" with respect to any determination of the Benchmark means (1) if the Benchmark is the SOFR Reference Rate, 3:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the date of such determination, and (2) if the Benchmark is not the SOFR Reference Rate, the time determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes.

"Relevant Governmental Body" means the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York or any successor thereto.

"Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement" means the Benchmark Replacement excluding the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment.

# 5. Amendments to Condition 5G

The definition of "business day" on page 85 of the Base Prospectus shall be deleted and replaced with the following:

# "Business Day" means:

- (i) in relation to any sum payable in Euro, a TARGET Business Day and a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in each (if any) Additional Business Centre;
- (ii) in relation to any sum payable in a currency other than Euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in the Relevant Financial Centre of the relevant currency and in each (if any) Additional Business Centre; and

(iii) if the relevant Final Terms specifies that the Reference Rate is "Compounded Daily SOFR", in respect of paragraph (i) or (ii) above a day which is also a "U.S. Government Securities Business Day" (as such term is defined in Condition 5B.(3)).

# 6. Amendments to the Form of Final Terms

Interest Basis:

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In the Form of Final Terms paragraph 9 (*Interest Basis*) of Part A (*Contractual Terms*) on page 116 of the Base Prospectus shall be deleted and replaced with the following:

[[•] per cent. Fixed Rate]

		[[LIBOR][EURIBOR][EONIA][SONIA][SOFR][CMS London][CMS Brussels] +/- [•] per cent. Floating Rate]
		[Zero Coupon]
		[Dual Currency Interest]
		[Reverse Floater Interest]
		[Step-Down Interest]
		[Step-Up Interest]".
	art A ( <i>Contractual Terms</i> ) o	ating Rate Note Provisions), item (viii) (Screen Rate in page 119 of the Base Prospectus shall be deleted
" (viii) Scree	en Rate Determination:	[Applicable/Not Applicable]
•	Reference Rate:	[LIBOR/EURIBOR/EONIA/SONIA/SOFR/CMS London/CMS Brussels]
		Subject to provisions set out in Condition 5.B
•	Interest Determination Date(s):	[ ]
•	Relevant Screen Page:	[ ]
		Subject to provisions set out in Condition 5.B
•	Observation Look-back	[[ ]/Not Applicable]
	Period:	(In the case of SONIA or SOFR: "p" London Banking Days or "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days (as relevant), where "p" shall not be less than five without the prior agreement of the Calculation Agent)
[CMS Lon	don/CMS Brussels only]	<b>5</b> ,
•	Designated Maturity:	[ ]

•	Floating Rate Option:	[	]
•	Reset Date(s):	Γ	1".

To the extent that there is any inconsistency between (a) any statement in this Supplemental Prospectus or any statement incorporated by reference into the Base Prospectus by this Supplemental Prospectus and (b) any other statement in or incorporated by reference in the Base Prospectus, the statements in (a) above will prevail.

Save as disclosed in this Supplemental Prospectus, there has been no other significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to information included in the Base Prospectus since the publication of the Base Prospectus.

There are not and have not been any governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Issuer is aware) during the 12 months before the date of this Supplemental Prospectus which may have, or have had in the recent past, significant effects on the financial position or profitability of the Issuer and its subsidiaries taken as a whole.