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PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED IN THIS BASE PROSPECTUS (THE "SECURITIES") SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEY UNDERSTAND FULLY THE NATURE OF THE SECURITIES AND THE EXTENT OF THEIR EXPOSURE TO THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SECURITIES. THE MARKET PRICE AND/OR VALUE OF THE SECURITIES MAY BE VOLATILE AND HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES MAY SUSTAIN A TOTAL LOSS IN THE VALUE OF THEIR INVESTMENT (UNLESS THE SECURITIES ARE OF A TYPE IN WHICH CAPITAL IS PROTECTED). PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS NEED TO CONSIDER THE SUITABILITY OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES IN LIGHT OF THEIR OWN FINANCIAL, FISCAL, REGULATORY AND OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES. PLEASE REFER, IN PARTICULAR, TO THE SECTIONS "RISK FACTORS" IN THIS BASE PROSPECTUS AND IN THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENT FOR A MORE COMPLETE EXPLANATION OF THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES, AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, EXERCISED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM, OR IN A TRANSACTION NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS. THE SECURITIES ARE BEING OFFERED AND SOLD ONLY: (I) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES TO PERSONS OTHER THAN U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) IN OFFSHORE TRANSACTIONS THAT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT; AND (II) ONLY WITH RESPECT TO THE EQUITY CERTIFICATES (AS DEFINED HEREIN) IN REGISTERED FORM TO U.S. PERSONS WHO ARE "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS" (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A OF THE SECURITIES ACT). FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES DO NOT CONSTITUTE UNITS OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SWISS FEDERAL ACT ON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES ("CISA") AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF, OR SUPERVISION BY THE SWISS FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY ("FINMA"). HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES ARE EXPOSED TO THE CREDIT RISK OF THE ISSUER.

This Base Prospectus constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of Article 5.4 of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”).

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (the “**Issuer**”) accepts responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext for Securities to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam N.V. (“**Euronext Amsterdam**”) by NYSE Euronext up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus. In addition, Securities may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on any other stock exchange or market specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities.

This Base Prospectus will be filed with the SIS Swiss Exchange Ltd and application may be made to list the Securities under the Programme on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. In respect of Securities to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Programme, together with the Final Terms, will constitute the listing prospectus pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

References in this Programme to Securities being “**listed**” (and all related references) shall mean that such Securities will be admitted to trading and will be listed on Euronext Amsterdam or any other regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2004/39/EC (the “**Markets in Financial Instruments Directive**”).

The Issuer has not authorised the making or provision of any representation or information regarding the Issuer or any Securities. Neither the delivery of this document nor the delivery of any other documents of the LaunchPAD Programme nor any information provided in the course of a transaction in Securities shall, in any circumstances, be construed as a recommendation by the Issuer to enter into any transaction with respect to any Securities. Each prospective investor contemplating a purchase of Securities should make its own independent investigation of the risks associated with a transaction involving any Securities.

The delivery of this document does not at any time imply that there has been no change in the affairs of the Issuer since the date of this Base Prospectus. The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information.

The distribution of this document and the offering, sale and delivery of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this document comes are required by the Issuer to inform themselves about, and to observe, any such restrictions. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of

No person has been authorised to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Base Prospectus and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuer.

Where information has been sourced from a third party, the Issuer confirms that this information has been accurately reproduced and that as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

This Base Prospectus is to be read in conjunction with all documents that are deemed to be incorporated herein by reference and shall be read and construed on the basis that such documents are incorporated in and form part of the Base Prospectus.

The Issuer does not represent that this document may be lawfully distributed, or that Securities may be lawfully offered, in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any jurisdiction, or pursuant to an exemption available thereunder, or assume any responsibility for facilitating any such distribution or offering. In particular, no action has been taken by the Issuer, which would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of this Prospectus or any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuer. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of this document and other offering material relating to the Securities please refer to the section "Selling Restrictions" in this Base Prospectus.

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SUMMARY

This summary must be read as an introduction to this Base Prospectus and any decision to invest in any Securities should be based on a consideration of this Base Prospectus as a whole, including the documents incorporated by reference. No civil liability attaches to the Issuer in respect of this Summary, including any translation thereof, unless it is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent when read together with the other parts of this Base Prospectus. Where a claim relating to information contained in this Base Prospectus is brought before a court in a Member State of the European Economic Area (an “EEA State”), the plaintiff may, under the national legislation of the EEA State where the claim is brought, be required to bear the costs of translating the Base Prospectus before the legal proceedings are initiated.

Words and expressions defined elsewhere in this Base Prospectus shall have the same meanings in this summary.

Issuer:

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Bank N.V.) (the “**Issuer**” or “**RBS N.V.**”) acting through its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4AA.

History and Incorporation:

The origin of RBS N.V. can be traced to the formation of “Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V.” in 1825 pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824. RBS N.V.’s articles of association were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. RBS N.V. is registered in the Commercial Register of Amsterdam under number 33002587. RBS N.V.’s registered office is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RBS Holdings N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Holding N.V.) (“**RBS Holdings**”), which is incorporated as a limited liability company under Dutch law by deed of 30 May 1990. The articles of association of RBS Holdings were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. M.W. Galjaart,

a deputy of Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. The registered office of RBS Holdings is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS Holdings owns 100 per cent. of RBS N.V.'s shares and is jointly and severally liable for all our liabilities in respect of the structured products pursuant to a declaration under Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code.

RBS Holdings and the Issuer form part of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group (referred to as the "Group", "RBS" or "RBS Group").

Overview:

The Issuer is a bank licensed by the Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*). RBS Group targets the highest possible credit rating for RBS N.V.

The Issuer operates on a significant scale across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), the Americas and Asia. At legal separation from the ABN AMRO group on 1 April 2010 (see the paragraph *Separation from the ABN AMRO group* below), RBS N.V. has a sizeable balance sheet, a significant staff presence and a broad set of products; provided by a sales force operating in approximately 50 countries (reducing over time following intended asset sales or exits of selected network countries). As at 31 December 2009, the RBS acquired businesses within RBS N.V. reported total consolidated assets of €75 billion and had more than 27,000 full time staff through a network of 264 offices and branches.

Headquartered in Edinburgh, the RBS Group operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and internationally through its two principal subsidiaries, RBS and Natwest. Both RBS and Natwest are major United Kingdom clearing banks whose origins go back over 275 years. In the United States, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc's subsidiary Citizens is a large commercial banking organization. RBS

Group has a large and diversified customer base and provides a wide range of products and services to personal, commercial and large corporate and institutional customers.

Group Organisational Structure:

RBS N.V. comprises the following core businesses:

- Global Banking & Markets: Global Trade Finance, Equities, Short Term Markets & Funding, and Local Markets; and
- Global Transaction Services: Global Lending, Transaction Banking and International Cash Management;
- Risk & Restructuring: The Non-Core Division in Risk & Restructuring contains assets that are no longer core to RBS Group's strategic objectives and include Trading, Wholesale Banking and Retail & Commercial Business Units, as well as selected network countries. The assets will reduce over time through wind-down, sale or transfer.

These RBS N.V. businesses are part of global business units in the RBS Group that operate across multiple legal entities. The strategy of RBS N.V. is part of the overall businesses' strategies of the RBS Group.

Separation from the ABN AMRO Group:

On 17 October 2007 85.6 per cent. of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was acquired through RFS Holdings B.V. ("**RFS Holdings**"), a company incorporated by a consortium consisting of the RBS, Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV ("**Fortis**") and Banco Santander S.A. each a 'Consortium Member'.

On 3 October 2008 the State of the Netherlands ("**Dutch State**") acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24

December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

RBS and the Dutch State agreed that the Dutch State acquired businesses would be legally separated from the residual RBS acquired businesses into a new bank.

Legal demerger and legal separation process

On 30 September 2009 ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that a two-step approach would be taken to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – “**Legal Demerger**”: Transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (the “**Demerging Company**”) to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the “**Acquiring Company**”). Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company was to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The Acquiring Company, comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses, was to then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Legal Demerger and the consequent name changes were successfully effected on 6th February 2010.

Step 2 – “**Legal Separation**”: Transfer of the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Following the transfer of the shares in ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to a new holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was to be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.

The Legal Separation and the consequent name change were successfully effected on 1 April 2010. Following Legal Separation, the Issuer’s activities continue to be subject to Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) and the

Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) supervision and on a consolidated basis as part of the RBS Group subject to UK Financial Services Authority supervision. Due to the change in the operating model of RBS N.V. compared to pre-acquisition ABN AMRO Bank N.V. a licence renewal has been granted by the Dutch Central Bank on 3 February 2010.

Following Legal Separation a new managing board and supervisory board of RBS N.V. were appointed.

Risk Factors:

In the context of its business activities, the Issuer is subject to various risks that are typical of the banking industry. Should certain risks materialise, this may adversely affect the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of the Issuer and its subsidiaries and, consequently, the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of RBS Holdings and, hence, the capacity (i) of the Issuer to meet its liabilities under the Securities towards the holders of Securities (the “**Holder**”), and/or (ii) of RBS Holdings to meet its obligations under the guarantee. Factors which can adversely affect the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of the Issuer are *inter alia* (i) general economic conditions and other business conditions, (ii) competition, (iii) regulatory change and (iv) standard banking risks including changes in interest and foreign exchange rates and operational, credit, market, liquidity and legal risks.

In addition, there are certain factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with the Securities including (i) the value of the Securities may fluctuate based on the value of the Underlying, (ii) there may not be a secondary market in the Securities, (iii) holders of the Securities have no ownership interest in the Underlying and (iv) there may be limitations on a holder’s right to exercise the Securities or there may be delays in effecting settlement, see section *Risk Factors* in this Base

Prospectus.

Guarantor:

RBS Holdings pursuant to its declaration under Article 2:403 of the Netherlands Civil Code.

Principal Agent and Calculation Agent:

RBS N.V. acting through its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4AA.

Listing and Admission to Trading:

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market specified in the Final Terms for Securities to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market specified in the Final Terms up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities.

Description of the Securities:

A range of certificates may be issued under this Base Prospectus. The terms and conditions (the “**Conditions**”) applicable to such certificates are contained in the general conditions (the “**General Conditions**”) which are applicable to all certificates, product conditions (the “**Product Conditions**”) applicable to the particular type of certificate being issued and the Final Terms (as defined in the Product Conditions) applicable to the particular Series (as defined in the Product Conditions) being issued.

Certificates are investment instruments which, at maturity or expiration and subject to due exercise in accordance with their Conditions, either pay an amount determined by reference to the value of the underlying currency, commodity, index and its constituent elements, stock, bond, basket or other product (together, the “**Underlying**”) on one or more specified days or deliver the Underlying, subject to the certificate entitlement. The types of certificates that may be issued under this Base Prospectus are described below.

Dividends received by the Issuer on holding any hedge for the certificates during the life of the certificates may, if so specified in the applicable Product Conditions, be passed on to the holder of the Securities (the “**Holder**”).

Airbag Certificates:

Airbag certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that the redemption amount payable to the Holder varies depending on the level of the Underlying at maturity. The return to the Holder is subject to a minimum amount unless the Underlying drops below a predetermined level. If the Underlying rises above its level as of the Pricing Date the Holder will participate in such rise, but such return may be subject to a maximum amount. Airbag index certificates are not open end certificates and are automatically exercised at maturity.

Discount Certificates:

Discount certificates are similar to ordinary certificates, except that the redemption amount payable to the Holder is effectively capped. If the Underlying on expiration or maturity is equal to or above a pre-determined level (the “**Strike Price**”), then the Holder will receive an amount equal to the Strike Price. Alternatively, the Holder will receive delivery of the Underlying. Discount certificates are not open end certificates, are issued at a discount and are automatically exercised at maturity.

Bonus Certificates:

Bonus certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that the Underlying is monitored during the life of the certificates. If a knock-out event occurs (as specified in the relevant Final Terms) at any point during the life of the certificates then at expiration or maturity the Holder will receive an amount equivalent to the value of the Underlying as of the expiration or maturity. If a knock-out event has not occurred at any point during the life of the certificates then the Holder will receive at least the amount originally invested, and possibly more, as specified in the relevant Final Terms. Bonus certificates are not open end certificates and are automatically exercised at maturity.

Double-Up Certificates:

Double-up certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that a Strike Price is set at the issue of the certificates equal to or around the level of the Underlying at that time. If the Underlying on expiration or maturity is at or above the

Strike Price, then the Holder will receive an amount equal to the value of the Underlying plus the difference between the value of the Underlying and the Strike Price, effectively “doubling-up” the increase performance of the Underlying. The amount received by the Holder will however be subject to a maximum amount. Double-up certificates are not open end certificates and are automatically exercised at maturity.

Express Certificates:

Express certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that the certificates may provide that (i) they will be subject to automatic early termination if, on a defined date, the level of the Underlying exceeds or falls below a defined level and (ii) they can be terminated by the Issuer upon such notice as set out in the applicable Final Terms. Express certificates which are not subject to early termination or termination by the Issuer or, if so subject, are not terminated early in accordance with their terms, pay a return at maturity that may be linked to the price of the Underlying. Express certificates are not open end certificates and are automatically exercised at maturity, subject to early termination or termination by the Issuer, if applicable. Express certificates may have a range of different Underlyings.

Equity Certificates:

Equity certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a share. A range of individual shares may become the Underlying in relation to an equity certificate. Equity certificates are not open end certificates.

Equity certificates may be cash settled. Equity certificates may only be physically settled by non-U.S. persons. Cash settled certificates pay, upon exercise, a cash amount determined by reference to the value of the Underlying. Physically settled certificates entitle the holder, upon exercise, to delivery of a defined amount of the Underlying and a cash payment in respect of any fractional entitlement.

Multi-Asset Basket Linked Certificates:

Multi-asset basket linked certificates are securities which are linked to one or more Underlyings. The cash amount

payable at maturity may be a specified percentage of its Issue Price and may or may not depend upon the performance of the Underlying, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Multi-asset basket linked certificates may be subject to early termination or an issuer call. Multi-asset basket linked certificates are not open end certificates and are automatically exercised at maturity, subject to early termination or an issuer call.

Indicative Issue Price:

The Securities will be issued at a price determined by the Issuer who may, in making such determinations, refer to, amongst other factors, the level of the Underlying, adjusted for the relevant certificate entitlement and any applicable foreign exchange rate(s).

Maturity:

The Securities have a fixed maturity date, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. There are no minimum or maximum maturities.

Interest:

The Securities may bear interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

General Conditions

Set out below is a summary of certain significant provisions of the General Conditions applicable to all Securities issued under this Base Prospectus.

Status of the Securities:

The Securities constitute unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank pari passu among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.

Early Termination:

The Issuer may terminate any Securities if it shall have determined in its absolute discretion that its performance thereunder shall have become unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance in good faith by the Issuer with any applicable law. In such circumstances the Issuer will, to the extent permitted by law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior

to such termination (ignoring such illegality) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements.

Hedging Disruption:

If a Hedging Disruption Event (as defined in General Condition 5) occurs, the Issuer will at its discretion (i) terminate the Securities and pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements or (ii) make a good faith adjustment to the relevant reference asset as described in General Condition 5(c) or (iii) make any other adjustment to the Conditions as it considers appropriate in order to maintain the theoretical value of the Securities after adjusting for the relevant Hedging Disruption Event. The Issuer may make adjustments following any event likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's hedge position, subject to the conditions set out in General Condition 5(d).

Substitution:

The Issuer may at any time, without the consent of the Holders substitute for itself as Issuer of the Securities, RBS Plc or any entity other than RBS Plc subject to the conditions set out in General Condition 8. In certain cases, substitution may be required to be effected in accordance with the rules of one or more clearing systems specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Events of Default:

The terms of the Securities will contain the following events of default:

- (a) default in payment of any principal or interest due in respect of the Securities, continuing for a specified period of time;
- (b) non-performance or non-observance by the Issuer of any of its other obligations under the Securities continuing for a specified period of time; and
- (c) events relating to the winding up of the Issuer.

Taxation:

The Holder (and not the Issuer) shall be liable for and/or pay

any tax, duty or charge in connection with the ownership of and/or any transfer, payment or delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Holder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable to any Holder such amount as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment.

Product Conditions:

Set out below is a summary of certain significant provisions of the Product Conditions applicable to the Securities to be issued under this Base Prospectus.

Form of Securities:

The Securities, other than the equity certificates issued in registered form and Securities issued in dematerialised form, will be issued in global bearer form as described in the General Conditions. Equity certificates may be issued in global bearer form or in global registered form, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Equity certificates issued in registered form may be sold to U.S. persons in reliance upon Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as Clearing Agent, Securities will, following their issuance, be transformed into intermediated securities in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act.

Exercise of Securities:

Securities may be exercised on any Exercise Date, or may automatically exercise on expiration or maturity, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Notification of any such automatic exercise will be made in the manner set out under “General Information Notices”.

Settlement of Securities:

Securities may be cash or physically settled, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Market Disruption Events:

If a Market Disruption Event occurs Holders may experience a delay in settlement or delivery and the cash price paid on settlement may be adversely affected. Market Disruption Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security and vary depending on the type of

Security.

Emerging Market Disruption Events: The Emerging Market Disruption Events reflect the substantial risks associated with investing in emerging markets in addition to those risks normally associated with making investments in other countries. Potential investors should note that the securities markets in emerging market jurisdictions are generally substantially smaller and at times have been more volatile and illiquid than the major securities markets in more developed countries. If an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurs Holders may experience a delay in settlement or delivery and the cash price paid on settlement may be adversely affected. Emerging Market Disruption Events are defined in Section 1 of the Product Conditions.

Settlement Disruption Event: If a Settlement Disruption Event occurs in relation to a physically settled certificate, the Holder may experience a delay in delivery of the Underlying and, where a cash price equivalent to the value of the Underlying is paid in lieu of delivery of the Underlying, the cash price paid may be adversely affected. Settlement Disruption Events are defined in Product Condition 1 for Securities which may be physically settled and vary depending on the type of Security.

Potential Adjustment Event: If a Potential Adjustment Event occurs the Calculation Agent may adjust one or more of the Conditions to account for the diluting or concentrative effect of the Potential Adjustment Event. Potential Adjustment Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable) and vary depending on the type of Security.

Fund Event: If a Fund Event occurs, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, in each case acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, may adjust one or more of the Conditions to reflect the impact of the Fund Event. Fund Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable).

De-listing: If a De-listing occurs the Calculation Agent may adjust one or more of the Conditions, including replacing the relevant Underlying, to account for such event. De-listing is defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable).

Governing Law: English law.

English courts: The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or in connection with the Securities.

Final Terms: Each Series will be the subject of a Final Terms which will contain the final terms applicable to the Series. The form of the Final Terms applicable to each type of Security is set out at the end of this Base Prospectus.

The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

RISK FACTORS

The Issuer believes that the following factors may affect its ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued. Most of these factors are contingencies which may or may not occur and the Issuer is not in a position to express a view on the likelihood of any such contingency occurring.

In addition, factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Securities issued are also described below.

The Issuer believes that the factors described below represent the principal risks inherent in investing in Securities issued, but the inability of the Issuer to pay interest, principal or other amounts on or in connection with any Securities, or to perform any delivery obligations in relation to the Securities, may occur for other reasons and the Issuer does not represent that the statements below regarding the risks of holding any Securities are exhaustive. Prospective investors should also read the detailed information set out elsewhere in this Base Prospectus and reach their own views prior to making any investment decision.

Before making an investment decision with respect to any Securities, prospective investors should consult their own stockbroker, bank manager, lawyer, accountant or other financial, legal and tax advisers and carefully review the risks entailed by an investment in the Securities and consider such an investment decision in the light of the prospective investor's personal circumstances.

Words and expressions defined elsewhere in this Base Prospectus shall have the same meaning in this section.

Factors that may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued

Each potential investor in the Securities should refer to the Risk Factors section in the Issuer's registration document dated 1 July 2010 (the "**Registration Document**") incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus for a description of those factors which may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued.

Factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Securities issued

The Securities are certificates which entail particular risks

Certificates are investment instruments which, at maturity or expiration either pay an amount determined by reference to the level of the underlying currency, commodity, index (including in the case of an index, the index and its constituent elements), stock, bond or other product or deliver the

Underlying, subject to the certificate entitlement. As such, certificates entail the same level of risk as a direct investment in the Underlying. Investors should be aware that their entire investment may be lost in the event that the Underlying is valued at zero. Unlike direct investments, investors are not able to hold certificates beyond their stated maturity or expiration date in the expectation of a recovery in the price of the Underlying.

The price at which a Holder will be able to sell certificates prior to maturity or expiration may be at a potentially substantial discount to the market value of the certificates at the issue date, if, at such time and in addition to any other factors, the value of the Underlying is below, equal to or not sufficiently above the value of the Underlying at the issue date.

Airbag certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that the return to the Holder is subject to a minimum amount unless the Underlying drops below a predetermined level. The Holder is entitled to an increased return if the Underlying rises above its level as of the Pricing Date. These certificates cannot be exercised by the Holder but instead are automatically exercised at maturity.

Discount certificates are similar to ordinary certificates, except that the return to the Holder is effectively capped. These certificates cannot be exercised by the Holder but instead are automatically exercised at maturity.

Bonus certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that the Underlying is monitored during the life of the certificates. If a knock-out event occurs (as specified in the relevant Final Terms) at any point during the life of the certificates then at expiration or maturity the Holder will receive an amount equivalent to the value of the Underlying as of the expiration or maturity. If a knock-out event has not occurred at any point during the life of the certificates then the Holder will receive at least the amount originally invested, and possibly more, as specified in the relevant Final Terms. These certificates cannot be exercised by the Holder but instead are automatically exercised at maturity.

Double-up certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that a Strike Price is set at the issue of the certificates equal to or around the level of the Underlying at that time. If the Underlying on expiration or maturity is at or above the Strike Price, then the Holder will receive an amount equal to the value of the Underlying plus the difference between the value of the Underlying and the Strike Price, effectively “doubling-up” the increase performance of the Underlying. The amount received by the Holder will however be subject to a maximum amount. These certificates cannot be exercised by the Holder but instead are automatically exercised at maturity.

Express certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that the certificates may provide that they will be subject to automatic early termination in certain circumstances. To the extent that, at the maturity of the certificates, the Underlying has risen above its level at the Pricing Date, the Holder will participate in such rise, but such returns may be subject to a maximum amount. To the extent that, at the maturity of the certificates, the Underlying has fallen below its level at the Pricing Date,

the Holder may receive less than the amount invested and, in certain cases, could lose its entire investment.

Equity certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a share. Equity certificates are not open end certificates. Equity certificates may be cash settled or physically settled. Cash settled certificates pay, upon exercise, a cash amount determined by reference to the value of the Underlying. Physically settled certificates entitle the holder, upon exercise, to delivery of a defined amount of the Underlying and a cash payment in respect of any fractional entitlement.

The Securities may not be a suitable investment for all investors

Each potential investor in the Securities must determine the suitability of that investment in light of its own circumstances. In particular, each potential investor should:

- (a) have sufficient knowledge and experience to make a meaningful evaluation of the Securities, the merits and risks of investing in the Securities and the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus or any applicable Final Terms;
- (b) have access to, and knowledge of, appropriate analytical tools to evaluate, in the context of its particular financial situation, an investment in the Securities and the impact the Securities will have on its overall investment portfolio;
- (c) have sufficient financial resources and liquidity to bear all of the risks of an investment in the Securities, including Securities with principal or interest payable in one or more currencies, or where the currency for principal or interest payments is different from the potential investor's currency;
- (d) understand thoroughly the terms of the Securities and be familiar with the behaviour of any relevant indices and financial markets; and
- (e) be able to evaluate (either alone or with the help of a financial adviser) possible scenarios for economic, interest rate and other factors that may affect its investment and its ability to bear the applicable risks.

Some Securities are complex financial instruments. Sophisticated institutional investors generally do not purchase complex financial instruments as stand-alone investments. They purchase complex financial instruments as a way to reduce risk or enhance yield with an understood, measured, appropriate addition of risk to their overall portfolios. A potential investor should not invest in Securities which are complex financial instruments unless it has the expertise (either alone or with a financial adviser) to evaluate how the Securities will perform under changing conditions, the resulting effects on the value of the Securities and the impact this investment will have on the potential investor's overall investment portfolio.

The value of the Securities may fluctuate

The value of the Securities may move up and down between their date of purchase and their exercise date or maturity date (as the case may be). Holders may sustain a total loss of their investment (unless the Securities are of a type in which capital is protected). Prospective purchasers should therefore ensure that they understand fully the nature of the Securities before they invest in the Securities.

Several factors, many of which are beyond the Issuer's control, will influence the value of the Securities at any time, including the following:

- (a) *Valuation of the Underlying.* The market price of the Securities at any time is expected to be affected primarily by changes in the level of the Underlying to which such Securities are linked. It is impossible to predict how the level of the relevant Underlying will vary over time. Factors which may have an affect on the value of the Underlying include the rate of return of the Underlying and the financial position and prospects of the issuer of the Underlying or any component thereof. In addition, the level of the Underlying may depend on a number of interrelated factors, including economic, financial and political events and their effect on the capital markets generally and relevant stock exchanges. Potential investors should also note that whilst the market value of the Securities is linked to the relevant Underlying and will be influenced (positively or negatively) by it, any change may not be comparable and may be disproportionate. It is possible that while the Underlying is increasing in value, the value of the Securities may fall. Further, where no market value is available for an Underlying, the Calculation Agent may determine its value to be zero notwithstanding the fact that there may be no Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) and/or no Potential Adjustment Events and/or no De-listing and/or no Fund Event which apply.
- (b) *Interest Rates.* Investments in the Securities may involve interest rate risk with respect to the currency of denomination of the Underlying and/or the Securities. A variety of factors influence interest rates such as macro economic, governmental, speculative and market sentiment factors. Such fluctuations may have an impact on the value of the Securities at any time prior to valuation of the Underlying relating to the Securities.
- (c) *Volatility.* The term "volatility" refers to the actual and anticipated frequency and magnitude of changes of the market price with respect to an Underlying. Volatility is affected by a number of factors such as macro economic factors, speculative trading and supply and demand in the options, futures and other derivatives markets. Volatility of an Underlying will move up and down over time (sometimes more sharply than others) and different Underlyings will most likely have separate volatilities at any particular time.

(d) *Exchange Rates.* Even where payments in respect of the Securities are not expressly linked to a rate or rates of exchange between currencies, the value of the Securities could, in certain circumstances, be affected by such factors as fluctuations in the rates of exchange between any currency in which any payment in respect of the Securities is to be made and any currency in which the Underlying is traded, appreciation or depreciation of any such currencies and any existing or future governmental or other restrictions on the exchangeability of such currencies. There can be no assurance that rates of exchange between any relevant currencies which are current rates at the date of issue of any Securities will be representative of the relevant rates of exchange used in computing the value of the relevant Securities at any time thereafter. Where Securities are described as being “quantoed”, the value of the Underlying will be converted from one currency (the “**Original Currency**”) into a new currency (the “**New Currency**”) on the date and in the manner specified in, or implied by, the Conditions using a fixed exchange rate. The cost to the Issuer of maintaining such a fixing between the Original Currency and the New Currency will have an implication on the value of the Securities. The implication will vary during the term of the Securities. No assurance can be given as to whether or not, taking into account relative exchange rate and interest rate fluctuations between the Original Currency and the New Currency, a quanto feature in a Security would at any time enhance the return on the Security over a level of a similar security issued without such a quanto feature.

(e) *Disruption.* If so indicated in the Conditions, the Calculation Agent may determine that a Market Disruption Event (which includes Emerging Market Disruption Events), Fund Event, Potential Adjustment Event and/or De-listing has occurred or exists at a relevant time. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in respect of the Securities. In addition, if so indicated in the Conditions, a Calculation Agent may determine that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred or exists at any relevant time in relation to a physically settled certificate. Any such determination may cause a delay in delivery of the Underlying and, where a cash price equivalent to the value of the Underlying is paid in lieu of delivery of the Underlying, the cash price paid may be adversely affected.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

(f) *Creditworthiness.* Any person who purchases the Securities is relying upon the creditworthiness of the Issuer and of RBS Holdings (pursuant to its declaration under Article 2:403 of the Netherlands Civil Code) and has no rights against any other person.

The Securities constitute general, unsecured, contractual obligations of the Issuer and of no other person. The Securities rank *pari passu* among themselves.

There may not be a secondary market in the Securities

Potential investors should be willing to hold the Securities through their life. The nature and extent of any secondary market in the Securities cannot be predicted. As a consequence any person intending to hold the Securities should consider liquidity in the Securities as a risk. If the Securities are listed or quoted on an exchange or quotation system this does not imply greater or lesser liquidity than if equivalent Securities were not so listed or quoted. However, if Securities are not listed or quoted there may be a lack of transparency with regard to pricing information. Liquidity may also be affected by legal restrictions on offers for sale in certain jurisdictions. The Issuer may affect the liquidity of the Securities by purchasing and holding the Securities for its own account during trading in the secondary market. Any such Securities may be resold at any time into the market.

The Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion, decide to offer a secondary market in the Securities. In the event that the Issuer elects to offer such secondary market, the Issuer shall be entitled to impose such conditions as it, in its sole and absolute discretion, shall deem fit, including but not limited to:

- (a) providing a large bid/offer spread determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion by reference to the Issuer's own appreciation of the risks involved in providing such secondary market;
- (b) normal market conditions prevailing at such date; and
- (c) limiting the number of Securities in respect of which it is prepared to offer such secondary market.

Holders should note that the imposition of any of the above conditions may severely limit the availability of any such secondary market and may result in Holders receiving significantly less than they otherwise would have received if the Securities were redeemed at maturity.

As part of its issuing, market-making and/or trading arrangements, the Issuer may issue more Securities than those which are to be subscribed or purchased by third party investors. The Issuer (or any of its affiliates) may hold such Securities for the purpose of meeting any investor interest in the future. Prospective investors in the Securities should therefore not regard the issue size of any Series as indicative of the depth or liquidity of the market for such Series, or of the demand for such Series.

In the event that such a secondary market does not develop, it is unlikely that an investor in the Securities will be able to sell his Securities or at prices that will provide him with a yield comparable to similar investments that have a developed secondary market.

Purchasing the Securities as a hedge may not be effective

Any person intending to use the Securities as a hedge instrument should recognise the correlation risk. The Securities may not be a perfect hedge to an Underlying or portfolio of which the Underlying forms a part. In addition, it may not be possible to liquidate the Securities at a level which directly reflects the price of the Underlying or portfolio of which the Underlying forms a part.

Actions taken by the Issuer may affect the value of the Securities

The Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may carry out activities that minimise its and/or their risks related to the Securities, including effecting transactions for their own account or for the account of their customers and hold long or short positions in the Underlying whether for risk reduction purposes or otherwise. In addition, in connection with the offering of any Securities, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may enter into one or more hedging transactions with respect to the Underlying. In connection with such hedging or market-making activities or with respect to proprietary or other trading activities by the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may enter into transactions in the Underlying which may affect the market price, liquidity or value of the Underlying and/or the Securities and which could be deemed to be adverse to the interests of the Holders. The Issuer and/or its affiliates are likely to modify their hedging positions throughout the life of the Securities whether by effecting transactions in the Underlying or in derivatives linked to the Underlying. Further, it is possible that the advisory services which the Issuer and/or its affiliates provide in the ordinary course of its/their business could lead to an adverse impact on the value of the Underlying.

The Issuer may also make adjustments to the Conditions if it determines that an event has occurred which, whilst not a Hedging Disruption Event or other disruption event is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's Hedge Position. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in respect of the Securities.

Disruption of the Issuers Hedge Position may affect the value of the Securities

The Issuer will enter into a hedging transaction in the relevant jurisdiction of the Underlying in order to offer exposure to the Underlying. Foreign exchange control restrictions, including restrictions which prevent the conversion of the Underlying Currency into the Settlement Currency and the transfer of the Settlement Currency to accounts outside the jurisdiction of the Underlying which could result in a delay in the determination of the Final Reference Price and the Settlement Date, which delay could be lengthy.

In certain circumstances, including but not limited to, the insolvency of the hedging counterparty or the unenforceability of the associated hedging transaction, an investor may lose some or all of its investment as specified in Product Condition 3 (d) below.

Holders have no ownership interest in the Underlying

The Securities convey no interest in the Underlying. The Issuer may choose not to hold the Underlying or any derivatives contracts linked to the Underlying. There is no restriction through the issue of the Securities on the ability of the Issuer and/or its affiliates to sell, pledge or otherwise convey all right, title and interest in any Underlying or any derivatives contracts linked to the Underlying.

Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the Underlying

The Calculation Agent is the agent of the Issuer and not the agent of the Holders or any of them. The Issuer may itself act as the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent will make such adjustments as it considers appropriate as a consequence of certain corporate actions affecting the Underlying. In making these adjustments the Calculation Agent is entitled to exercise substantial discretion and may be subject to conflicts of interest in exercising this discretion. The Calculation Agent is not required to make adjustments with respect to each and every corporate action.

There may be limitations on a Holder's right to exercise the Securities

- (a) *Maximum Exercise Amount.* If so indicated in the Conditions, the Issuer will have the option to limit the number of Securities exercisable on any date (other than the final exercise date) to the maximum number so specified and, in conjunction with such limitation, to limit the number of Securities exercisable by any person or group of persons (whether or not acting in concert) on such date. In the event that the total number of Securities being exercised on any date (other than the final exercise date) exceeds such maximum number and the Issuer has elected to limit the number of Securities exercisable on such date, a holder of Securities may not be able to exercise on such date all the Securities that it desires to exercise. In any such case, the number of Securities to be exercised on such date will be reduced until the total number of Securities exercised on such date no longer exceeds such maximum (unless the Issuer otherwise elects), such Securities being selected as specified in the Conditions. Securities tendered for exercise but not exercised on such date will be automatically exercised on the next date on which Securities may be exercised, subject to the same daily maximum limitation and delayed exercise provisions.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

- (b) *Minimum Exercise Amount.* If so indicated in the Conditions, a Holder may have to tender a specified minimum number of the Securities at any one time in order to exercise the Securities. Thus Holders with fewer than the specified minimum number of such Securities will either have to sell their Securities or purchase additional Securities, incurring transaction

costs in each case, in order to realise a return on their investment, and may incur the risk that the trading price of the Securities at that time is different from, in the case of Securities settled in cash (“**Cash Settled Securities**”), the applicable Cash Amount (as defined in the Product Conditions) or, in the case of Securities settled by way of physical delivery (“**Physical Delivery Securities**”), the difference between the value of the applicable underlying asset and the exercise price, in each case upon exercise.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

There may be delays in effecting settlement

If the Securities are subject to provisions relating to exercise, then upon their exercise, there will be a time lag between the time a holder of the Securities gives instructions to exercise and the time the applicable Cash Amount (if the Securities are Cash Settled Securities) relating to such exercise is determined. If the Securities are Physical Delivery Securities there will be a time lag following exercise of the Securities until the Share Amount is delivered to the relevant Holder’s account. Any such delay between the time of exercise and the determination of the Cash Amount or delivery of the Share Amount will be specified in the Conditions. However, such delay could be significantly longer, particularly in the case of a delay in exercise of such Securities arising from, as described above, any daily maximum exercise limitation or, as described above, any delay consequent upon the determination by the Calculation Agent that a Market Disruption Event (which includes Emerging Market Disruption Events) or a Settlement Disruption Event occurred at any relevant time. The applicable Cash Amount or Share Amount could decrease or increase from what it would have been but for such delay.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

If the Securities are subject to provisions concerning delivery of a Notice and such Notice is received by the relevant Clearing Agent, with a copy to the Principal Agent after the latest time specified in the Conditions, it will be deemed to be duly delivered on the next following Business Day. Such deemed delay may in the case of Cash Settled Securities increase or decrease the Cash Amount from what it would have been but for such deemed delivery. In the case of Securities which are exercisable on one day only or only during an exercise period any Notice, if not delivered by the latest time specified in the Conditions, shall be void.

If the Securities require a Notice to be delivered before close of business in the place of receipt on the Cut-off Date (as defined in the Product Conditions), then delivery after the Cut-off Date may result in a delay in delivery of the applicable Share Amount (as defined in the Product Conditions).

The failure to deliver any certifications required by the Conditions could result in the loss or inability to receive amounts or deliveries otherwise due under the Securities.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

Securities not exercised in accordance with the Conditions will (where exercise is required) expire worthless.

Taxes may be payable by investors

Potential purchasers and sellers of the Securities should be aware that they may be required to pay stamp taxes or other documentary charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country where the Securities are transferred. Holders are subject to the provisions of General Condition 9 and payment and/or delivery of any amount due in respect of the Securities will be conditional upon the payment of any Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions.

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt as to their tax position should consult their own independent tax advisers. In addition, potential purchasers should be aware that tax regulations and their application by the relevant taxation authorities change from time to time. Accordingly, it is not possible to predict the precise tax treatment which will apply at any given time.

No tax gross-up

If payments on the Securities are or become subject to a withholding or deduction required by law on account of any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature, the Issuer will make the required withholding or deduction, as the case may be, and neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent nor any other person shall pay any additional amounts to the Holders in respect of such withholding or deduction. Please refer to section “General Condition 9 - Taxation”.

The Securities may be terminated prior to their stated date

If the Issuer determines that the performance of its obligations under the Securities has become illegal or impractical in whole or in part for any reason or the Issuer determines that it is no longer legal or practical for it to maintain its hedging arrangement with respect to the Securities for any reason, the Issuer may at its discretion and without obligation terminate early the Securities. If the Issuer terminates early the Securities, the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay the holder of each such Security an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be its fair market value less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements notwithstanding the illegality or impracticality.

Risks associated with Securities held in global form

The Securities (other than equity certificates issued in registered form) will initially be held by or on behalf of one or more clearing systems specified in the applicable Final Terms (each a “**Relevant Clearing System**”), either in the form of a global bearer Security which will be exchangeable for definitive Securities only in the event of the closure of all Relevant Clearing Systems or in dematerialised form depending on the rules of the Relevant Clearing System. For as long as any Securities are held by or on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System, payments of principal, interest (if any) and any other amounts will be made through the Relevant Clearing System, where required, against presentation or surrender (as the case may be) of any relevant global Security and, in the case of a temporary global Security in bearer form, certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership. The risk is that the bearer or the registered holder, as the case may be, of the relevant global Security, typically a depository or a nominee for a depository for the Relevant Clearing System, or, in the case of Securities in dematerialised form, the Relevant Clearing System and not the Holder itself, shall be treated by the Issuer and any Agent (as defined in the Conditions) as the sole holder of the relevant Securities with respect to the payment of principal, interest (if any) and any other amounts payable in respect of the Securities or any securities deliverable in respect of the Securities. Holders therefore are required to look to the Relevant Clearing System in respect of payments made to it by the Issuer in respect of Securities in global or dematerialised form.

Securities which are held by or on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of the Relevant Clearing System.

Risk associated with nominee arrangements

Where a nominee service provider is used by an investor to hold Securities or such investor holds interests in any Security through accounts with a Relevant Clearing System, such investor will receive payments in respect of principal, interest, (if any) or any other amounts due, or securities deliverable, as applicable, solely on the basis of the arrangements entered into by the investor with the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System, as the case may be. Furthermore, such investor must rely on the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System to distribute all payments or securities attributable to the relevant Securities which are received from the Issuer. Accordingly, such an investor will be exposed to the credit risk of, and default risk in respect of, the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System, as well as the Issuer.

In addition, such a Holder will only be able to sell any Securities held by it prior to their stated maturity date with the assistance of the relevant nominee service provider.

None of the Issuer or any Agent shall be responsible for the acts or omissions of any relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System nor makes any representation or warranty, express or

implied, as to the service provided by any relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System.

The return on an investment in Securities will be affected by charges incurred by investors

An investor's total return on an investment in any Securities will be affected by the level of fees charged by the nominee service provider and/or Relevant Clearing System used by the investor. Such a person or institution may charge fees for the opening and operation of an investment account, transfers of Securities, custody services and on payments of interest, principal and other amounts or delivery of securities. Potential investors are therefore advised to investigate the basis on which any such fees will be charged on the relevant Securities.

Change of law and jurisdiction

The Conditions are based on English law in effect as at the date of this Base Prospectus. No assurance can be given as to the impact of any possible change to English law or administrative practice after the date of this Base Prospectus. Prospective investors in the Securities should note that the courts of England and Wales shall have jurisdiction in respect of any disputes involving the Securities. Holders may, however, take any suit, action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Securities against the Issuer in any court of competent jurisdiction. English law may be materially different from the equivalent law in the home jurisdiction of prospective investors in its application to the Securities.

Credit ratings may not reflect all risks

One or more independent credit rating agencies may assign credit ratings to the Issuer or the Securities. The ratings may not reflect the potential impact of all risks related to structure, market, additional factors discussed above, and other factors that may affect the value of the Securities. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be revised or withdrawn by the rating agency at any time.

Legal investment considerations may restrict certain investments

The investment activities of certain investors are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, or review or regulation by certain authorities. Each potential investor should consult its legal advisers to determine whether and to what extent (i) Securities are legal investments for it, (ii) Securities can be used as collateral for various types of borrowing and (iii) other restrictions apply to its purchase or pledge of any Securities. Financial institutions should consult their legal advisers or the appropriate regulators to determine the appropriate treatment of Securities under any applicable risk-based capital or similar rules.

Modification, waivers and substitution

The Issuer may decide to make modifications to the Securities without the consent of the Holders which may affect the Holders' interest either:

- (a) for the purpose of curing any ambiguity or of curing, correcting or supplementing any manifest error or other defective provision; or
- (b) in any other manner which is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders; or
- (c) for the purpose of the substitution of another company as principal debtor under any Securities in place of the Issuer, in the circumstances described in General Condition 8.

Specific risks relating to Equity Certificates

Risks generally applicable where the Underlying is a share in a company listed in an emerging market. Investing in Securities where the Underlying is a share in a company listed in India, Taiwan, China, Korea, Saudi Arabia and other emerging markets involves substantial risks in addition to those risks normally associated with making investments in other countries and other investment products. Accordingly, investment in the equity certificates is only suitable for those investors who are aware of the risks of investing in these countries and who have the knowledge and experience in financial matters necessary to enable them to evaluate the risks and merits of an investment in the equity certificates.

Potential investors should note that the securities markets in emerging market jurisdictions are generally substantially smaller and at times have been more volatile and illiquid than the major securities markets in more developed countries. No assurance can be given that such volatility or illiquidity will not occur in the future. Many such securities markets also have clearance and settlement procedures that are less developed, less reliable and less efficient than those in more developed countries. There may also be generally less governmental supervision and regulation of the securities exchanges and securities professionals in emerging markets than exists in more developed countries.

Disclosure and regulatory standards in emerging markets are in many respects less stringent than standards in more developed countries and there may be less publicly available information about companies in such markets than is regularly published by or about companies in more developed countries. Companies in emerging markets may be subject to accounting standards and requirements that may differ in significant respects from those applicable to companies in more developed countries. The assets and liabilities and profits and losses appearing in the financial statements of such companies may not reflect their financial position or results of operations in the way they would be reflected had such financial statements been prepared in accordance with generally accepted international accounting principles in more developed countries. The valuation of assets, depreciation, exchange differences, deferred taxation, contingent liabilities and consolidation may also be treated differently than under generally accepted international accounting standards, all of which may affect the valuation of the Underlying.

Risks relating to foreign ownership control in Saudi Arabia. Potential investors should note that due to foreign ownership restrictions in Saudi Arabia the Issuer will enter into a hedging transaction locally in order to offer exposure to the Underlying Saudi Arabian Shares, foreign exchange control restrictions, including restrictions which prevent the conversion of the Underlying Currency into the Settlement Currency and the transfer of the Settlement Currency to accounts outside the jurisdiction of the Underlying which could result in a delay in the determination of the Final Reference Price and the Settlement Date, which delay could be lengthy. In certain circumstances the risk of unenforceability of the associated hedging transaction returning the Final Reference Prices may mean that you lose some or all of your investment.

Risks related to foreign exchange controls. Potential investors should note that payments by the Issuer of the Cash Amount in respect of equity certificates is subject to the ability of the Issuer to sell the Underlying and to there being no foreign exchange control restrictions, including restrictions which prevent the conversion of the Underlying Currency into the Settlement Currency and the transfer of the Settlement Currency to accounts outside the jurisdiction of the Underlying. If any such event occurs at the Valuation Date, it could result in a delay in the determination of the Final Reference Price and the Settlement Date, which delay could be lengthy.

Market disruption. In the event of the occurrence of Market Disruption Event on a Valuation Date, a Payment Date or the Settlement Date, the obligations of the Issuer which are due on such date may be delayed, which delay could be lengthy. A Market Disruption Event includes, but is not limited to, any suspension or limitation of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange, the declaration of a general moratorium in respect of banking activities in the country where the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located, the inability of the Issuer (or its affiliate) to unwind its hedge or related trading position relating to the Underlying due to illiquidity and any Emerging Market Disruption Event.

Force majeure. The Issuer reserves the right to delay payments and other obligations to the holder of equity certificates where events occur outside the reasonable control of the Issuer or any of its affiliates and result in the Issuer being unable to fulfil its obligations when such obligations are due including (without limitation) failure of telecommunication or computer facilities, industrial disputes, civil unrest or acts of governmental, regulatory or supranational bodies subject to a maximum period specified in the applicable Final Terms. After such date, all obligations of the Issuer in respect of the relevant Securities shall be discharged.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Base Prospectus, as completed and/or amended by the Final Terms. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

ESSENTIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ISSUER

History and incorporation

The origin of RBS N.V. can be traced to the formation of “Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V.” in 1825 pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824. RBS N.V.’s articles of association were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. RBS N.V. is registered in the Commercial Register of Amsterdam under number 33002587. RBS N.V.’s registered office is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RBS Holdings N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Holding N.V.) (“**RBS Holdings**”), which is incorporated as a limited liability company under Dutch law by deed of 30 May 1990. The articles of association of RBS Holdings were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. M.W. Galjaart, a deputy of Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. The registered office of RBS Holdings is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS Holdings owns 100 per cent. of RBS N.V.’s shares and is jointly and severally liable for all our liabilities in respect of the structured products pursuant to a declaration under Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code.

RBS Holdings and the Issuer form part of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group (referred to as the “**Group**”, “**RBS**” or “**RBS Group**”).

Overview

The Issuer is a bank licensed by the Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*). RBS Group targets the highest possible credit rating for RBS N.V.

The Issuer operates on a significant scale across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), the Americas and Asia. At legal separation from the ABN AMRO group on 1 April 2010 (see the paragraph *Separation from the ABN AMRO group* below), RBS N.V. has a sizeable balance sheet, a significant staff presence and a broad set of products; provided by a sales force operating in approximately 40 countries (reducing over time following intended asset sales or exits of selected network countries). As at 31 December 2009, the RBS acquired businesses within RBS N.V. reported total consolidated assets of €275 billion and had more than 27,000 full time staff through a network of 264 offices and branches.

Headquartered in Edinburgh, the RBS Group operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and internationally through its two principal subsidiaries, RBS Plc and Natwest. Both RBS Plc and Natwest are major United Kingdom clearing banks whose origins go back over 275 years. In the United States, RBS Group's subsidiary Citizens is a large commercial banking organization. RBS Group has a large and diversified customer base and provides a wide range of products and services to personal, commercial and large corporate and institutional customers.

Group Organisational Structure

RBS N.V. comprises the following core businesses:

- Global Banking & Markets: Global Trade Finance, Equities, Short Term Markets & Funding, and Local Markets;
- Global Transaction Services: Global Lending, Transaction Banking and International Cash Management; and
- Risk & Restructuring: The Non-Core Division in Risk & Restructuring contains assets that are no longer core to RBS Group's strategic objectives and include Trading, Wholesale Banking and Retail & Commercial Business Units, as well as selected network countries. The assets will reduce over time through wind-down, sale or transfer.

These RBS N.V. businesses are part of global business units in the RBS Group that operate across multiple legal entities. The strategy of RBS N.V. is part of the overall businesses' strategies of the RBS Group.

Separation from the ABN AMRO group

On 17 October 2007 85.6 per cent. of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was acquired through RFS Holdings B.V. ("**RFS Holdings**"), a company incorporated by a consortium consisting of the RBS, Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV ("**Fortis**") and Banco Santander S.A. each a "**Consortium Member**".

On 3 October 2008, the State of the Netherlands ("**Dutch State**") acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

RBS and the Dutch State agreed that the Dutch State acquired businesses would be legally separated from the residual RBS acquired businesses into a new bank.

Legal demerger and legal separation process

On 30 September 2009 ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that a two-step approach would be taken to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – **“Legal Demerger”**: Transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (the **“Demerging Company”**) to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the **“Acquiring Company”**). Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company was to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The Acquiring Company, comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses, was to then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Legal Demerger and the consequent name changes were successfully effected on 6th February 2010.

Step 2 – **“Legal Separation”**: Transfer of the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Following the transfer of the shares in ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to a new holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was to be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.

The Legal Separation and the consequent name change were successfully effected on 1 April 2010.

Following Legal Separation, the Issuer’s activities continue to be subject to Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) and the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) supervision and on a consolidated basis as part of the RBS Group subject to UK Financial Services Authority supervision. Due to the change in the operating model of RBS N.V. compared to pre-acquisition ABN AMRO Bank N.V. a licence renewal has been granted by the Dutch Central Bank on 3 February 2010.

Following Legal Separation a new managing board and supervisory board of RBS N.V. were appointed.

Issued Financial Instruments on the Issuer’s securities

At the time hereof, there are no convertible bonds or options on the issuer's securities (including employee options) outstanding which have been issued by the Issuer or by group companies of the Issuer.

Equity Securities

All the Issuer's ordinary shares are held by RBS Holdings N.V. and are not listed or traded.

DOCUMENT INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The Issuer's registration document dated 1 July 2010 (the "**Registration Document**") prepared in accordance with Article 5(3) of the Prospectus Directive was published prior to the date of this Base Prospectus, has been approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) in its capacity as competent authority under the Act on Financial Supervision (*Wet op het financieel toezicht (Wft) 2007*) (the "**Competent Authority**") and shall, together with the documents incorporated therein, be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus.

The following documents which have previously been published or are published simultaneously with this Base Prospectus and have been filed with the AFM shall, among other documents incorporated into the Registration Document by reference, be deemed to be incorporated in, and to form part of, this Base Prospectus:

- a) the publicly available consolidated financial statements of RBS Holdings in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2009, 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2007 respectively and the auditor's reports for the respective years, as included in the annual report for those financial years;
- b) the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information relating to RBS Holdings N.V. for the year ended 31 December 2009 as included in the press release announcing completion of the legal separation dated 1 April 2010;
- c) the Articles of Association (*statuten*) of each of RBS Holdings and RBS N.V. as in force and effect on the date of this prospectus;
- d) the terms of reference of the Audit Committee as set out in the Rules Governing the Supervisory Board's Principles and Best Practices dated 29 April 2010;
- e) the publicly available press release in connection with the RBS Holdings N.V. first quarter 2010 financial results, dated 9 June 2010; and
- f) the publicly available interim report in connection with the RBS Holding N.V. financial results of the first half year of 2010, published on 31 August 2010.

The Registration Document and copies of all documents incorporated by reference as mentioned above, are accessible at <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive> and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group Investor Relations, 280

Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 207 672 1758, email investor.relations@rbs.com or at the registered office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom.

The Issuer will in the event of any significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to the information included in this Base Prospectus which is capable of affecting the assessment of any Securities, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus for use in connection with any subsequent issue of Securities.

Material Adverse Change

Save as disclosed in this document and/or the documents incorporated by reference herein, there has been no significant change in the financial position of the Issuer since 31st December 2009. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer since 31st December 2009 other than as disclosed in this LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference herein.

TAXATION

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt about their tax position on purchase, ownership, transfer, exercise or non-exercise of any Security should consult their professional tax advisers.

1. GENERAL

Purchasers of Securities may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws of practices of the country of purchase in addition to the issue or purchase price of each Security.

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty or other payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Securities.

The Purchasers should be aware that tax treatment depends on the individual circumstances of each client and may be subject to change in the future.

2. EU SAVINGS DIRECTIVE

Under EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income, Member States are required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest (or similar income) paid by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual resident in that other Member State or to certain limited types of entities established in that other Member State. However, for a transitional period, Luxembourg and Austria are instead required (unless during that period they elect otherwise) to operate a withholding system in relation to such payments (the ending of such transitional period being dependent upon the conclusion of certain other agreements relating to information exchange with certain other countries). A number of non-EU countries and territories including Switzerland have adopted similar measures (a withholding system in the case of Switzerland).

On 15 September 2008 the European Commission issued a report to the Council of the European Union on the operation of the Directive, which included the Commission's advice on the need for changes to the Directive. On 13 November 2008 the European Commission published a more detailed proposal for amendments to the Directive, which included a number of suggested changes. The European Parliament approved an amended version of the proposal on 24 April 2009. If any of the proposed changes are made in relation to the Directive, they may amend or broaden the scope of the requirements described above.

3. THE NETHERLANDS

General

The following summary outlines the principal Netherlands tax consequences of the acquisition, holding, settlement, redemption and disposal of the Securities, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all Netherlands tax considerations in relation thereto. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Securities.

This summary is based on tax legislation, published case law, treaties, regulations and published policy, in each case as in force as of the date of this Base Prospectus, and does not take into account any developments or amendments thereof after that date whether or not such developments or amendments have retroactive effect.

This summary does not address the Netherlands tax consequences for:

- (i) holders of Securities holding a substantial interest (*aanmerkelijk belang*) or deemed substantial interest (*fictief aanmerkelijk belang*) in the Issuer and holders of Securities of whom a certain related person holds a substantial interest in the Issuer. Generally speaking, a substantial interest in the Issuer arises if a person, alone or, where such person is an individual, together with his or her partner (statutory defined term), directly or indirectly, holds (i) an interest of 5% or more of the total issued capital of the Issuer or of 5% or more of the issued capital of a certain class of shares of the Issuer, (ii) rights to acquire, directly or indirectly, such interest or (iii) certain profit sharing rights in the Issuer;
- (ii) investment institutions (*fiscale beleggingsinstellingen*); and
- (iii) pension funds, exempt investment institutions (*vrijgestelde beleggingsinstellingen*) or other entities that are exempt from Netherlands corporate income tax.

Where this summary refers to a holder of Securities, such reference is restricted to a holder holding legal title to as well as an economic interest in such Securities.

Withholding Tax

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities may be made free of withholding or deduction for any taxes of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld or assessed by the Netherlands or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein provided that the Securities do not in fact

function as equity of the Issuer within the meaning of article 10, paragraph 1, under d of the Netherlands corporate income tax act 1969 (*Wet op de vennootschapsbelasting 1969*).

Corporate and Individual Income Tax

(a) Residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes and is fully subject to Netherlands corporate income tax or is only subject to Netherlands corporate income tax in respect of an enterprise to which the Securities are attributable, income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Securities are generally taxable in the Netherlands (at up to a maximum rate of 25.5%).

If an individual holder is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (including an individual holder who has opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Securities are taxable at the progressive rates (at up to a maximum rate of 52%) under the Netherlands income tax act 2001 (*Wet inkomstenbelasting 2001*), if:

- (i) the holder is an entrepreneur (*ondernemer*) and has an enterprise to which the Securities are attributable or the holder has, other than as a shareholder, a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise (*medegerechtigde*), to which enterprise the Securities are attributable; or
- (ii) such income or gains qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*), which include the performance of activities with respect to the Securities that exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*).

If neither condition (i) nor condition (ii) applies to the holder of the Securities, taxable income with regard to the Securities must be determined on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (*sparen en beleggen*), rather than on the basis of income actually received or gains actually realised. This deemed return on income from savings and investments has been fixed at a rate of 4% of the average of the individual's yield basis (*rendementsgrondslag*) at the beginning of the calendar year and the individual's yield basis at the end of the calendar year, insofar as the average exceeds a certain threshold. The average of the individual's yield basis is determined as the fair market value of certain qualifying assets held by the holder of the Securities less the fair market value of certain qualifying liabilities on 1 January and 31 December, divided by two. The fair market value of the Securities will be included as an asset in the individual's yield basis. The 4% deemed return on income from savings and investments will be taxed at a rate of 30%.

(b) Non-residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is not a resident nor is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (or has not opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), such holder is not taxable in respect of income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the settlement, redemption or disposal of the Securities, unless:

- (i) the holder is not an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Securities are attributable, or (2) is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise or a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise, which is effectively managed in the Netherlands (other than by way of securities) and to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

This income is subject to Netherlands corporate income tax at up to a maximum rate of 25.5%.

- (ii) the holder is an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise or an interest in an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Securities are attributable, or (2) realises income or gains with respect to the Securities that qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*) in the Netherlands, which activities include the performance of activities in the Netherlands with respect to the Securities which exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*), or (3) is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise which is effectively managed in the Netherlands (other than by way of securities) and to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

Income derived from the Securities as specified under (1) and (2) is subject to individual income tax at up to a maximum rate of 52%. Income derived from a share in the profits as specified under (3) that is not already included under (1) or (2) will be taxed on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (as described above under "Residents of the Netherlands"). The fair market value of the share in the profits of the enterprise (which includes the Securities) will be part of the individual's Netherlands yield basis.

Gift and Inheritance Tax

- (a) Residents of the Netherlands

Generally, gift and inheritance tax will be due in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Securities by way of a gift by, or on the death of, a holder that is a resident or deemed to be a resident

of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax at the time of the gift or his or her death.

A holder of Dutch nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift and inheritance tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands and dies or makes a donation within ten years after leaving the Netherlands. A holder of any other nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands and makes a donation within a twelve months period after leaving the Netherlands. The same twelve-month rule may apply to entities that have transferred their seat of residence out of the Netherlands.

(b) Non-residents of the Netherlands

No gift or inheritance taxes will arise in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Securities by way of a gift by, or as a result of, the death of a holder that is neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax, unless in the case of a gift of the Securities by a holder who at the date of the gift was neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands, such holder dies within 180 days after the date of the gift, and at the time of his or her death is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands.

Value Added Tax

In general, no value added tax will arise in respect of payments in consideration for the issue of the Securities or in respect of a cash payment made under the Securities, or in respect of a transfer of Securities.

Other Taxes and Duties

No registration tax, customs duty, transfer tax, stamp duty or any other similar documentary tax or duty will be payable in the Netherlands by a holder in respect of or in connection with the subscription, issue, placement, allotment, delivery or transfer of the Securities.

4. UNITED KINGDOM

The following applies only to persons who are the beneficial owners of the Securities and is a summary of the Issuer's understanding of current United Kingdom tax law and United Kingdom HM Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") practice relating only to certain aspects of United Kingdom taxation. It does not deal with any other United Kingdom taxation implications of acquiring, holding or disposing of Securities. Some aspects do not apply to certain classes of persons (such as persons carrying on a trade of dealing in Securities and

persons connected with the Issuer) to whom special rules may apply. The United Kingdom tax treatment of prospective Holders of Securities depends on their individual circumstances and may be subject to change in the future. The precise tax treatment of a Holder of Securities will depend for each issue on the terms of the Securities, as specified in the Conditions of the Securities. Prospective Holders of Securities who may be subject to tax in a jurisdiction other than the United Kingdom or who may be unsure as to their tax position should seek their own professional advice. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Securities.

Withholding Tax

Securities issued otherwise than through the Issuer's London branch

Payments of interest on these Securities may be made without withholding on account of United Kingdom income tax.

Securities issued by the Issuer's London branch

Payments made in respect of the Securities may be made without deduction or withholding for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where such payments are not regarded as either interest or annual payments for United Kingdom tax purposes.

Even if such payments were to be regarded as interest or annual payments for United Kingdom tax purposes, the Issuer should not be required to withhold or deduct sums for or on account of United Kingdom income tax from payments made in respect of the Securities provided that the Securities are derivative contracts, the profits and losses arising from which are calculated in accordance with the provisions of Part 7 of the Corporation Tax Act 2009 (which broadly they should be provided that they are derivatives for the purposes of FRS25 (or International Accounting Standard 32) and are not excluded for the purposes of Part 7 of that Act by virtue of their underlying subject matter).

If interest payable on the Securities or if payments made in respect of the Securities were to be regarded as interest for United Kingdom tax purposes, provided that the Issuer's London branch is and continues to be a bank within the meaning of section 991 of the Income Tax Act 2007 (the "**ITA 2007**"), such payments may be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where the interest is paid in the ordinary course of the Issuer's London branch's business within the meaning of section 878 ITA 2007.

Payments of interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be made without deduction of or withholding for or on account of United Kingdom income tax if the Securities are and continue to be listed on a "recognised stock exchange", as defined in section 1005 of the ITA 2007. The Euronext Amsterdam is a recognised stock exchange. The Securities will therefore satisfy this requirement if

they are (a) officially listed in the Netherlands in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in EEA states and are admitted to trading on the Euronext Amsterdam, or (b) admitted to trading on another "recognised stock exchange" and officially listed in a country in which there is a "recognised stock exchange" in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in EEA states. Provided, therefore, that the Securities are and remain so listed, interest on the Securities will be payable without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax whether or not the Issuer's London branch carries on a banking business in the United Kingdom and whether or not the interest is paid in the ordinary course of its business.

Interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where interest on or in respect of the Securities is paid by a company and, at the time the payment is made, the Issuer's London branch reasonably believes (and any person by or through whom interest on the Securities is paid reasonably believes) that the beneficial owner is within the charge to United Kingdom corporation tax as regards the payment of interest; provided that HMRC has not given a direction (in circumstances where it has reasonable grounds to believe that the above exemption is not available in respect of such payment of interest at the time the payment is made) that the interest should be paid under deduction of tax.

Interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where the maturity of the Securities is less than 365 days and those Securities do not form part of a scheme or arrangement of borrowing intended to be capable of remaining outstanding for more than 364 days.

In other cases, an amount must generally be withheld from payments of interest on or in respect of Securities issued by the Issuer's London branch on account of United Kingdom income tax at the basic rate (currently 20 per cent.). However, where an applicable double tax treaty provides for a lower rate of withholding tax (or for no tax to be withheld) in relation to a Holder of the Securities, HMRC can issue a notice to the Issuer's London branch to pay interest to the Holder of the Securities without deduction of tax (or for interest to be paid with tax deducted at the rate provided for in the relevant double tax treaty).

UK Information Gathering Powers

Irrespective of whether the Securities are issued by the Issuer's London branch, Holders of the Securities may wish to note that, in certain circumstances, HMRC has power to obtain information (including the name and address of the beneficial owner of the interest) from any person in the United Kingdom who either pays or credits interest to or receives interest for the benefit of a Holder of the Securities. HMRC also has power, in certain circumstances, to obtain information from any person in the United Kingdom who pays amounts payable on the redemption of Securities (which are deeply discounted securities for the purposes of the Income Tax (Trading and Other Income) Act 2005) to or

receives such amounts for the benefit of another person, although HMRC published practice indicates that HMRC will not exercise the power referred to above to require this information in respect of amounts payable on the redemption of deeply discounted securities where such amounts are paid on or before 5 April 2011. Such information may include the name and address of the beneficial owner of the amount payable on redemption. Any information obtained may, in certain circumstances, be exchanged by HMRC with the tax authorities of the jurisdiction in which the Holder of the Securities is resident for tax purposes.

Stamp Taxes

For the purposes of the following paragraphs, “**Exempt Loan Capital**” means any security which constitutes loan capital (“**Loan Capital**”) for the purposes of section 78 of the Finance Act 1986 (“**FA 1986**”) and: (a) does not carry rights to acquire shares or securities (by way of exchange, conversion or otherwise) that are not Exempt Loan Capital; (b) has not carried and does not carry a right to interest the amount of which exceeds a reasonable commercial return on the nominal amount of the relevant security; (c) has not carried and does not carry a right to interest the amount of which falls or has fallen to be determined to any extent by reference to the results of, or any part of, a business or to the value of any property; and (d) has not carried and does not carry a right to a premium which is not reasonably comparable with amounts payable on securities listed on the London Stock Exchange.

Stamp duty on the issue of Securities

In relation to Securities in bearer form which are denominated in sterling and which are not Loan Capital, a charge to United Kingdom stamp duty at 1.5 per cent. of the value of such Securities may arise if issued in the United Kingdom. No stamp duty liability will arise on the issue of such Securities if issued outside the United Kingdom. However, in relation to Securities of that kind originally issued outside the United Kingdom, on the first transfer by delivery in the United Kingdom of any such Security a stamp duty liability at 1.5 per cent. of the value of such Security may arise. Furthermore, the issue of a Security which has characteristics of an option or any instrument granting such a Security may be subject to United Kingdom stamp duty. However, no stamp duty liability will arise on the issue or transfer of such Securities which constitute an interest in, a right to an allotment of or to subscribe for, or an option to acquire or to dispose of Exempt Loan Capital.

Stamp duty on the transfer of Securities

No United Kingdom stamp duty should be required to be paid on transfers of Securities on sale provided no instrument of transfer is used to complete such sales.

An instrument transferring a Security on sale of the Security which is executed in the United Kingdom or which (if not executed in the United Kingdom) relates to any matter or thing done or to be done in the United Kingdom may be subject to stamp duty at a rate of 0.5 per cent. of the

consideration paid for the Securities if the Securities are either not Loan Capital and do not constitute an interest in, a right to an allotment of or to subscribe for, or an option to acquire or to dispose of Exempt Loan Capital or are Loan Capital but are not Exempt Loan Capital.

Stamp duty reserve tax (“SDRT”) on the issue of Securities to a Clearance Service

No SDRT should be payable in relation to the issue of a Security to any person providing a clearance service, or a nominee for any such person, within the meaning of section 96 FA 1986 (a “**Clearance Service**”) unless the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of shares which are paired with shares (which are not “newly subscribed shares” as defined in section 99(12) FA 1986) issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

Except where an election has been made under which the alternative system of charge as provided for in section 97A FA 1986 (a “**s97A Election**”) applies, SDRT at a rate of 1.5 per cent may be payable on the issue or transfer of a Security to a Clearance Service where the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of shares which are paired with shares (which are not “newly subscribed shares” as defined in section 99(12) FA 1986) issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

The ECJ has found in C-569/07 HSBC Holdings plc and Vidacos Nominees Ltd v The Commissioners of Her Majesty’s Revenue & Customs (Case C-569/07) that the 1.5 per cent. charge is contrary to EU Community Law where shares are issued to a clearance system. HMRC has subsequently indicated that it will not levy the charge on shares issued to a clearance system within the EU. It is not clear the extent to which this decision applies to the Securities or the way in which any change in legislation or HMRC practice in response to this decision may alter the position outlined above.

SDRT on the transfer of Securities held within a Clearance Service

SDRT should generally not be payable in relation to an agreement to transfer a Security held within a Clearance Service provided that no s97A Election has been made.

SDRT on the transfer of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made

In the case of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or Securities held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made, no SDRT should be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer a Security unless the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of either: (i) stocks, shares or loan capital for the purposes of section 99(3) FA 1986 which are not Exempt Loan Capital and which are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom; or (ii) shares which are paired with shares issued

by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom, unless (in either case) that Security is in bearer form.

In the case of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or Securities held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made, SDRT should generally be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer a Security where the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of either: (i) stocks, shares or loan capital for the purposes of section 99(3) FA 1986 which are not Exempt Loan Capital and which are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom; or (ii) shares which are paired with shares issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom, unless (in either case) that Security is in bearer form. SDRT would be payable at a rate of 0.5 per cent. of the consideration given under an agreement to transfer such Securities, unless the transfer is to a depositary for a Clearance Service or to a person issuing depositary receipts (or to an agent or nominee of such a person) where SDRT may be payable at a rate of 1.5 per cent..

Stamp duty and SDRT on the exercise or redemption of the Securities

Stamp duty and SDRT may also be payable on the transfer of an asset on physical settlement of the Securities.

5. LUXEMBOURG

The following summary is of a general nature and is included herein solely for information purposes. It is based on the laws presently in force in Luxembourg, though it is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice. Prospective investors in the Securities should therefore consult their own professional advisers as to the effects of state, local or foreign laws, including Luxembourg tax law, to which they may be subject.

TAXATION OF THE HOLDERS OF SECURITIES

Withholding Tax

(i) Non-resident holders of Securities

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the laws of 21 June 2005 (the “**Laws**”) mentioned below, there is no withholding tax on payments of principal, premium or interest made to non-resident holders of Securities, nor on accrued but unpaid interest in respect of the Securities, nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of the Securities held by non-resident holders of Securities.

Under the Laws implementing the Council Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments and ratifying the treaties entered into by Luxembourg and certain dependent and associated territories of EU Member States (the “**Territories**”), payments

of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the immediate benefit of an individual beneficial owner or a residual entity, as defined by the Laws, which is resident of, or established in, an EU Member State (other than Luxembourg) or one of the Territories will be subject to a withholding tax unless the relevant recipient has adequately instructed the relevant paying agent to provide details of the relevant payments of interest or similar income to the fiscal authorities of his/her/its country of residence or establishment, or, in the case of an individual beneficial owner, has provided a tax certificate issued by the fiscal authorities of his/her country of residence in the required format to the relevant paying agent. Where withholding tax is applied, it is currently levied at a rate of 20 per cent. and will be levied at a rate of 35 per cent. as of 1 July 2011. Responsibility for the withholding of the tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent. Payments of interest under the Securities coming within the scope of the Laws would at present be subject to withholding tax of 20 per cent.

(ii) Resident holders of Securities

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the law of 23 December 2005 as amended (the “**Law**”) mentioned below, there is no withholding tax on payments of principal, premium or interest made to Luxembourg resident holders of Securities, nor on accrued but unpaid interest in respect of Securities, nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of Securities held by Luxembourg resident holders of Securities.

Under the Law payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the benefit of an individual beneficial owner who is resident of Luxembourg will be subject to a withholding tax of 10 per cent. Such withholding tax will be in full discharge of income tax if the beneficial owner is an individual acting in the course of the management of his/her private wealth. Responsibility for the withholding of the tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent. Payments of interest under the Securities coming within the scope of the Law would be subject to withholding tax of 10 per cent.

6. UNITED STATES

TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY THE U.S. INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (THE IRS), WE INFORM YOU THAT ANY TAX DISCUSSION HEREIN WAS NOT WRITTEN AND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE USED AND CANNOT BE USED BY ANY TAXPAYER FOR PURPOSES OF AVOIDING U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX PENALTIES THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON THE TAXPAYER. ANY SUCH TAX DISCUSSION WAS WRITTEN TO SUPPORT THE PROMOTION OR MARKETING OF THE TRANSACTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN. EACH TAXPAYER SHOULD SEEK ADVICE BASED ON THE TAXPAYER’S PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES FROM AN INDEPENDENT TAX ADVISER.

The following summary describes certain U.S. federal income tax considerations that may be relevant to a U.S. holder (as defined below) who purchases an Equity Certificate, but is not purported to be a complete analysis of all potential tax effects. This summary is based upon the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”); existing and proposed regulations promulgated thereunder, and published rulings and court decisions, all as in effect and existing on the date of this Base Prospectus and all of which are subject to change at any time with retrospective or prospective effect. The rules governing the U.S. federal income taxation of option transactions and other derivative financial instruments are complex and depend on a taxpayer’s particular circumstances. Accordingly, this summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all of the tax considerations that may be relevant to any particular investor in an Equity Certificate. In particular, this summary deals only with Equity Certificates issued in registered form and with holders of Equity Certificates who purchase in the initial offering at the applicable issue price and in whose hands the Equity Certificates, or the stock, debt, commodity or other property underlying the Equity Certificates would be capital assets for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In addition, this discussion assumes that the Equity Certificates that are treated as options for U.S. federal income tax purposes, when issued, are not significantly “in-the-money”.

This summary also does not discuss the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a U.S. holder who is a member of a class of holders subject to special rules, such as a dealer in securities, commodities or derivative financial instruments; a trader in securities, commodities or derivative financial instruments that elects to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for securities or commodities holdings; a bank; a life insurance company; a tax-exempt organisation; entities that are treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as partnerships or other pass-through entities; an investor who purchases an Equity Certificate with respect to stock in a company that is treated as a passive foreign investment company (“**PFIC**”) for U.S. federal income tax purposes; an investor who purchases an Equity Certificate and holds any other position (whether long or short, direct or indirect) in any asset underlying such option; an investor who purchases an Equity Certificate that is part of a hedging transaction or that has been hedged against currency risk; an investor who purchases an Equity Certificate that is part of a straddle or conversion transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes; and an investor whose functional currency for U.S. federal income tax purposes is not the U.S. dollar.

As a consequence of the foregoing, it should be particularly noted that this summary does not address the special tax considerations that apply to an investment in a combination of Equity Certificates with respect to the same underlying assets. Further, this summary does not address alternative minimum tax consequences or the indirect effects on the holders of equity interests in a holder of an Equity Certificate.

Any of the foregoing circumstances might substantially alter the tax consequences described below, and, in some instances, may require specific identification of positions in the relevant Equity Certificate before the close of the day on which they are acquired. For example, if the straddle rules were to apply, a U.S. holder of an Equity Certificate might be required to (i) recognise all or a portion of any gain on such Equity Certificate that would otherwise be long-term or short-term capital gain, as ordinary income or, if applicable, short-term capital gain, (ii) defer all, or a portion, of any loss realised upon the sale, exchange, exercise, cancellation or lapse of such Equity Certificate and (iii) capitalise any interest or carrying charges incurred by such U.S. holder with respect to such Equity Certificate.

This summary does not address the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of every type of Equity Certificate which may be issued under the Programme. Additional U.S. federal income tax consequences, if any, applicable to a particular Equity Certificate may be set forth in the applicable Final Terms.

The rules governing the taxation of option transactions and derivative financial instruments are complex and depend on a taxpayer's particular circumstances. U.S. holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors concerning the U.S. federal, state, local, foreign and other national tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of Equity Certificates in their particular circumstances. U.S. holders should also consult their tax advisors as to the possibility of changes of law affecting taxation of derivative financial instruments with contingent payments, including prepaid forward contracts. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences of acquiring, owning and disposing of the Equity Certificates in light of such investor's own circumstances, including such investor's status as a U.S. holder or non-U.S. holder (as defined below), as well as any other estate, gift, or other tax consequences that may arise under the laws of any state, local, foreign or other taxing jurisdiction.

For purposes of this discussion, a “**U.S. holder**” means a beneficial owner of an Equity Certificate that is:

- (i) a citizen or individual resident of the United States, as defined in Section 7701(b) of the Code,
- (ii) a corporation, including any entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, created or organised in or under the laws of the United States, any State thereof or the District of Columbia;

- (iii) an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income tax without regard to its source;
- (iv) a trust if (x) a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust, and one or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust, or (y) such trust has a valid election in effect under applicable U.S. Treasury Regulations to be treated as a United States person;
- (v) otherwise subject to U.S. federal income taxation on a net income basis in respect of the Equity Certificate.

A “**non-U.S. holder**” is a beneficial owner of an Equity Certificate that is a non-resident alien individual or a foreign corporation. If a partnership holds an Equity Certificate, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Partners in partnerships holding an Equity Certificate should consult their tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of acquiring, owning, exchanging and disposing of the Equity Certificates.

The Issuer generally intends to treat Equity Certificates issued under the Programme as prepaid cash-settled forward contracts, unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Final Terms. It is possible, however, that the Equity Certificates may be treated as equity or a derivative financial instrument for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The tax treatment of Equity Certificates to which a treatment other than as prepaid cash-settled forward contracts may apply may be discussed in the applicable Final Terms. The Final Terms for an issue of Equity Certificates may specify with respect to the issue of Equity Certificates to which it relates (and where relevant) the potential U.S. federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, disposition of the Equity Certificates.

Holders may be subject to a variety of U.S. tax consequences depending on the subject and the terms of the Equity Certificates. Holders should consult their own advisers about the tax consequences of purchasing Equity Certificates, particularly whether the Equity Certificates being acquired could be treated for U.S. tax purposes as debt instruments or as another type of financial instrument.

Classification of the Equity Certificates

Depending on the terms of an Equity Certificate, such Equity Certificate could be treated as one or more of the following: (i) a prepaid forward contract (which, depending on the terms, may be subject to embedded options), (ii) a combination of a loan and a prepaid forward contract, (iii) an outright or constructive ownership interest in the property underlying such Equity Certificate, or (iv) a debt

instrument with or without contingent payments. Additional U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to a particular issuance of Equity Certificates may be set forth in the applicable Final Terms.

No ruling is being requested from the IRS with respect to the Equity Certificates, and the treatment of the Equity Certificates described below is not binding on the IRS or the courts. As a result, significant aspects of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Equity Certificates are uncertain.

U.S. Holders

Debt

The following is a summary of the principal U.S. federal income tax consequences of the ownership of Equity Certificates treated as debt for U.S. federal tax purposes.

Payment of Interest

Interest on an Equity Certificate, whether payable in U.S. dollars or a currency, composite currency or basket of currencies other than U.S. dollars (“foreign currency” interest on a “**Foreign Currency Equity Certificate**”), other than interest on a “**Discount Equity Certificate**” that is not “qualified stated interest” (each as defined below under “Original Issue Discount —General”), will be taxable to a U.S. holder as ordinary income at the time it is received or accrued, depending on the U.S. holder’s method of accounting for tax purposes. Interest paid by the Issuer on the Equity Certificates and original issue discount (“**OID**”), if any, accrued with respect to the Equity Certificates (as described below under “Original Issue Discount”) generally will constitute income from sources outside the United States subject to the rules regarding the foreign tax credit allowable to a U.S. holder. Prospective purchasers should consult their tax advisers concerning the foreign tax credit implications of any payment of foreign taxes.

Original Issue Discount

General

The following is a summary of the principal U.S. federal income tax consequences of the ownership of Equity Certificates issued with OID. The following summary does not discuss Equity Certificates that are characterized as contingent payment debt instruments for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

An Equity Certificate, other than an Equity Certificate with a term of one year or less, will be treated as issued with OID (a “**Discount Equity Certificate**”) if the excess of the Equity Certificate’s “stated redemption price at maturity” over its issue price is equal to or more than a *de minimis* amount (0.25 per cent. of the Equity Certificate’s stated redemption price at maturity multiplied by the number of complete years to its maturity). Generally, the issue price of an Equity Certificate will be the first price at which substantial amount of Equity Certificates included in the issue of which the Equity Certificate is a part is sold to persons other than bond houses, brokers, or similar persons or organisations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents, or wholesalers. The stated redemption price at maturity of an Equity Certificate is the total of all payments provided by the Equity Certificate that are not payments of “qualified stated interest.” A qualified stated interest payment is generally any one of a series of stated interest payments on an Equity Certificate that are unconditionally payable at least annually at a single fixed rate, or a variable rate (as described below under “Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificates”), applied to the outstanding principal amount of the Equity Certificate. Solely for the purposes of determining whether an Equity Certificate has OID, the Issuer will be deemed to exercise any call option that has the effect of decreasing the yield on the Equity Certificate, and the U.S. holder will be deemed to exercise any put option that has the effect of increasing the yield on the Equity Certificate. If an Equity Certificate has *de minimis* OID, a U.S. holder must include the *de minimis* amount in income as stated principal payments are made on the Equity Certificate, unless the holder makes the election to treat all interest as OID.

U.S. holders of Discount Equity Certificates must include OID in income calculated on a constant-yield method before the receipt of cash attributable to the income, and generally will have to include in income increasingly greater amounts of OID over the life of the Discount Equity Certificates. The amount of OID includible in income by a U.S. holder of Discount Equity Certificates is the sum of the daily portions of OID with respect to the Discount Equity Certificates for each day during the taxable year or portion of the taxable year on which the U.S. holder holds the Discount Equity Certificates. The amount of OID allocable to an accrual period (and pro rata to every day in the accrual period) equals the excess of (a) the product of the Discount Equity Certificate’s adjusted issue price at the beginning of the accrual period and the Discount Equity Certificate’s yield to maturity (determined on the basis of compounding at the close of each accrual period and properly adjusted for the length of the accrual period) over (b) the sum of the payments of qualified stated interest on the Equity Certificate allocable to the accrual period. The “adjusted issue price” of a Discount Equity Certificate at the beginning of any accrual period is the issue price of the Equity Certificate increased by (x) the amount of accrued OID for each prior accrual period and decreased by (y) the amount of any payments previously made on the Equity Certificate that were not qualified stated interest payments.

Acquisition Premium

A U.S. holder that purchases a Discount Equity Certificate for an amount less than or equal to the sum of all amounts payable on the Equity Certificate after the purchase date, other than payments of qualified stated interest, but in excess of its adjusted issue price and that does not make the election to treat all interest as OID, is permitted to reduce the daily portions of OID by a fraction, the numerator of which is the excess of the U.S. holder's adjusted basis in the Discount Equity Certificate immediately after its purchase over the Discount Equity Certificate's adjusted issue price, and the denominator of which is the excess of the sum of all amounts payable on the Equity Certificate after the purchase date, other than payments of qualified stated interest, over the Discount Equity Certificate's adjusted issue price.

Market Discount

An Equity Certificate, other than an Equity Certificate with a term of one year or less, generally will be treated as purchased at a market discount if the Equity Certificate's stated redemption price at maturity or, in the case of a Discount Equity Certificate, the Equity Certificate's "revised issue price", exceeds the amount for which the U.S. holder purchased the Equity Certificate by at least 0.25 per cent. of the Equity Certificate's stated redemption price at maturity or revised issue price, respectively, multiplied by the number of complete years to the Equity Certificate's maturity. If this excess is not sufficient to cause the Equity Certificate to be treated as purchased at a market discount, then the excess constitutes "*de minimis* market discount". For this purpose, the "revised issue price" of an Equity Certificate generally equals its issue price, increased by the amount of any OID that has accrued on the Equity Certificate and decreased by the amount of any payments previously made on the Equity Certificate that were not qualified stated interest payments.

Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificates

Equity Certificates that provide for interest at variable rates ("**Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificates**") generally will bear interest at a "qualified floating rate" and thus will be treated as "variable rate debt instruments" under Treasury Regulations governing accrual of OID. A Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate will qualify as a "variable rate debt instrument" if (a) its issue price does not exceed the total noncontingent principal payments due under the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate by more than a specified *de minimis* amount and (b) it provides for stated interest, paid or compounded at least annually, at current values of (i) one or more qualified floating rates, (ii) a single fixed rate and one or more qualified floating rates, (iii) a single objective rate, or (iv) a single fixed rate and a single objective rate that is a qualified inverse floating rate.

A “qualified floating rate” is any variable rate where variations in the value of the rate can reasonably be expected to measure contemporaneous variations in the cost of newly borrowed funds in the currency in which the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate is denominated. A fixed multiple of a qualified floating rate will constitute a qualified floating rate only if the multiple is greater than 0.65 but not more than 1.35, whether or not a variable rate is increased or decreased by a fixed rate. A variable rate that would otherwise constitute a qualified floating rate but which is subject to one or more restrictions such as a maximum numerical limitation (i.e., a cap) or a minimum numerical limitation (i.e., a floor) may, under certain circumstances, fail to be treated as a qualified floating rate unless the cap or floor is fixed throughout the term of the Equity Certificate.

An “objective rate” is a rate that is not itself a qualified floating rate but which is determined using a single fixed formula and which is based on objective financial or economic information (e.g., one or more qualified floating rates or the yield of actively traded personal property). A rate will not qualify as an objective rate if it is based on information that is within the control of the Issuer (or a related party) or that is unique to the circumstances of the Issuer (or a related party), such as dividends, profits or the value of the Issuer’s stock (although a rate does not fail to be an objective rate merely because it is based on the credit quality of the Issuer).

A qualified floating rate or objective rate in effect at any time during the term of the instrument must be set at a “current value” of that rate – the value of the rate on any day that is no earlier than 3 months prior to the first day on which that value is in effect and no later than 1 year following that first day.

A Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate that provides for stated interest at either a single qualified floating rate or a single objective rate throughout the term thereof and that qualifies as a “variable rate debt instrument” will generally not be treated as having been issued with OID unless the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate is issued at a “true discount” (i.e., at a price below the Equity Certificate’s stated principal amount) in excess of a specified *de minimis* amount. OID on a Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate arising from true discount is allocated to an accrual period using the constant yield method described above.

In general, any other Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate that qualifies as a “variable rate debt instrument” will be converted into an equivalent fixed rate debt instrument for purposes of determining the amount and accrual of OID and qualified stated interest on the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate. Such a Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate must be converted into an equivalent fixed rate debt instrument by substituting any qualified floating rate or qualified inverse floating rate provided for under the terms of the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate with a fixed

rate equal to the value of the qualified floating rate or qualified inverse floating rate, as the case may be, as of the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate's issue date. Any objective rate (other than a qualified inverse floating rate) provided for under the terms of the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate is converted into a fixed rate that reflects the yield that is reasonably expected for the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate. In the case of a Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate that qualifies as a "variable rate debt instrument" and provides for stated interest at a fixed rate in addition to either one or more qualified floating rates or a qualified inverse floating rate, the fixed rate is initially converted into a qualified floating rate (or a qualified inverse floating rate, if the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate provides for a qualified inverse floating rate). Under these circumstances, the qualified floating rate or qualified inverse floating rate that replaces the fixed rate must be such that the fair market value of the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate as of the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate's issue date is approximately the same as the fair market value of an otherwise identical debt instrument that provides for either the qualified floating rate or qualified inverse floating rate rather than the fixed rate. Subsequent to converting the fixed rate into either a qualified floating rate or a qualified inverse floating rate, the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate is converted into an equivalent fixed rate debt instrument in the manner described above.

Once the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate is converted into an equivalent fixed rate debt instrument pursuant to the foregoing rules, the amount of OID and qualified stated interest, if any, are determined for the equivalent fixed rate debt instrument by applying the general OID rules to the equivalent fixed rate debt instrument and a U.S. holder of the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate will account for the OID and qualified stated interest as if the U.S. holder held the equivalent fixed rate debt instrument. In each accrual period, appropriate adjustments will be made to the amount of qualified stated interest or OID assumed to have been accrued or paid with respect to the equivalent fixed rate debt instrument in the event that these amounts differ from the actual amount of interest accrued or paid on the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate during the accrual period.

If a Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate, such as an Equity Certificate the payments on which are determined by reference to an index, does not qualify as a "variable rate debt instrument", then the Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificate will be treated as a contingent payment debt instrument. Prospective purchasers should consult with their own tax advisers concerning the proper U.S. federal income tax treatment of Variable Interest Rate Equity Certificates that are treated as contingent payment debt.

Short-Term Equity Certificates

In general, an individual or other cash basis U.S. holder of an Equity Certificate with a term of one year or less is not required to accrue OID (calculated as set forth below for the purposes of this paragraph) for U.S. federal income tax purposes unless it elects to do so (but may be required to include any stated interest in income as the interest is received). Accrual basis U.S. holders and certain other U.S. holders are required to accrue OID on Equity Certificates with a term of one year or less on a straight-line basis or, if the U.S. holder so elects, under the constant-yield method (based on daily compounding). In the case of a U.S. holder not required and not electing to include OID in income currently, any gain realised on the sale or retirement of the Equity Certificate with a term of one year or less will be ordinary income to the extent of the OID accrued on a straight-line basis (unless an election is made to accrue the OID under the constant-yield method) through the date of sale or retirement. U.S. holders who are not required and do not elect to accrue OID on Equity Certificates with a term of one year or less will be required to defer deductions for interest on borrowings allocable to Equity Certificates with a term of one year or less in an amount not exceeding the deferred income until the deferred income is realised.

For purposes of determining the amount of OID subject to these rules, all interest payments on an Equity Certificate with a term of one year or less are included in such Equity Certificate's stated redemption price at maturity. A U.S. holder may elect to determine OID on an Equity Certificate with a term of one year or less as if such Equity Certificate had been originally issued to the U.S. holder as the U.S. holder's purchase price for the Equity Certificate. This election shall apply to all obligations with a maturity of one year or less acquired by the U.S. holder on or after the first day of the first taxable year to which the election applies, and may not be revoked without the consent of the IRS.

Equity Certificates Purchased at a Premium

A U.S. holder that purchases an Equity Certificate for an amount in excess of its principal amount, or for a Discount Equity Certificate, its stated redemption price at maturity, may elect to treat the excess as "amortisable bond premium", in which case the amount required to be included in the U.S. holder's income each year with respect to interest on the Equity Certificate will be reduced by the amount of amortisable bond premium allocable (based on the Equity Certificate's yield to maturity) to that year. Any election to amortise bond premium shall apply to all bonds (other than bonds the interest on which is excludable from gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes) held by the U.S. holder at the beginning of the first taxable year to which the election applies or thereafter acquired by the U.S. holder, and is irrevocable without the consent of the IRS. A U.S. holder that does not elect to take bond premium (other than acquisition premium, as discussed above under "Original Issue Discount—Acquisition Premium") into account currently will recognise a capital loss when the Equity Certificate matures.

Purchase, Sale and Retirement of Equity Certificates

A U.S. holder's tax basis in an Equity Certificate will generally be its cost, increased by the amount of any OID and market discount included in the U.S. holder's income with respect to the Equity Certificate and the amount, if any, of income attributable to *de minimis* OID and *de minimis* market discount included in the U.S. holder's income with respect to the Equity Certificate, and reduced by (i) the amount of any payments that are not qualified stated interest payments, and (ii) the amount of any amortisable bond premium applied to reduce interest on the Equity Certificate.

A U.S. holder will generally recognise gain or loss on the sale or retirement of an Equity Certificate equal to the difference between the amount realised on the sale or retirement and the U.S. holder's tax basis in the Equity Certificate. Except to the extent described above under "Original Issue Discount—Market Discount" or "Original Issue Discount—Short Term Equity Certificates" or attributable to accrued but unpaid interest or changes in exchange rates (as discussed below), gain or loss recognised on the sale or retirement of an Equity Certificate will be capital gain or loss and generally will be treated as from U.S. sources for purposes of the U.S. foreign tax credit limitation and may be taxable at reduced rates in the case of a U.S. holder that is an individual, estate or trust, if the Equity Certificates are held for more than one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

Foreign Currency Equity Certificates

Interest

If an interest payment is denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency, the amount of income recognised by a cash basis U.S. holder will be the U.S. dollar value of the interest payment, based on the exchange rate in effect on the date of receipt, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into U.S. dollars.

An accrual basis U.S. holder may determine the amount of income recognised with respect to an interest payment denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency in accordance with either of two methods. Under the first method, the amount of income accrued will be based on the average exchange rate in effect during the interest accrual period (or, in the case of an accrual period that spans two taxable years of a U.S. holder, the part of the period within the taxable year).

Under the second method, the U.S. holder may elect to determine the amount of income accrued on the basis of the exchange rate in effect on the last day of the accrual period (or, in the case of an

accrual period that spans two taxable years, the exchange rate in effect on the last day of the part of the period within the taxable year). Additionally, if a payment of interest is actually received within five business days of the last day of the accrual period, an electing accrual basis U.S. holder may instead translate the accrued interest into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate in effect on the day of actual receipt. Any such election will apply to all debt instruments held by the U.S. holder at the beginning of the first taxable year to which the election applies or thereafter acquired by the U.S. holder, and will be irrevocable without the consent of the IRS.

Upon receipt of an interest payment (including a payment attributable to accrued but unpaid interest upon the sale or retirement of an Equity Certificate) denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency, the U.S. holder may recognise U.S. source exchange gain or loss (taxable as ordinary income or loss) equal to the difference between the amount received (translated into U.S. dollars at the spot rate on the date of receipt) and the amount previously accrued, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into U.S. dollars.

OID

OID for each accrual period on a Discount Equity Certificate that is denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency, will be determined in the foreign currency and then translated into U.S. dollars in the same manner as stated interest accrued by an accrual basis U.S. holder, as described above under “Foreign Currency Equity Certificates—Interest”. Upon receipt of an amount attributable to OID (whether in connection with a payment on the Equity Certificate or a sale of the Equity Certificate), a U.S. holder may recognise U.S. source exchange gain or loss (taxable as ordinary income or loss) equal to the difference between the amount received (translated into U.S. dollars at the spot rate on the date of receipt) and the amount previously accrued, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into U.S. dollars.

Bond Premium

Bond premium (including acquisition premium) on an Equity Certificate that is denominated in, or determined by reference to, a foreign currency, will be computed in units of the foreign currency, and any such bond premium that is taken into account currently will reduce interest income in units of the foreign currency.

On the date bond premium offsets interest income, a U.S. holder may recognise U.S. source exchange gain or loss (taxable as ordinary income or loss) measured by the difference between the spot rate in effect on that date, and on the date the Equity Certificates were acquired by the U.S. holder.

Purchase, Sale and Retirement of Equity Certificates

As discussed above under “Purchase, Sale and Retirement of Equity Certificates”, a U.S. holder will generally recognise gain or loss on the sale or retirement of an Equity Certificate equal to the difference between the amount realised on the sale or retirement and its tax basis in the Equity Certificate. A U.S. holder’s tax basis in a Foreign Currency Equity Certificate will be determined by reference to the U.S. dollar cost of the Equity Certificate. The U.S. dollar cost of an Equity Certificate purchased with foreign currency will generally be the U.S. dollar value of the purchase price on the date of purchase or, in the case of Equity Certificates traded on an established securities market, as defined in the applicable Treasury Regulations, that are purchased by a cash basis U.S. holder (or an accrual basis U.S. holder that so elects), on the settlement date for the purchase.

The amount realised on a sale or retirement for an amount in foreign currency will be the U.S. dollar value of this amount on the date of sale or retirement or, in the case of Equity Certificates traded on an established securities market, as defined in the applicable Treasury Regulations, sold by a cash basis U.S. holder (or an accrual basis U.S. holder that so elects), on the settlement date for the sale. Such an election by an accrual basis U.S. holder must be applied consistently from year to year and cannot be revoked without the consent of the IRS.

A U.S. holder will recognise U.S. source exchange rate gain or loss (taxable as ordinary income or loss) on the sale or retirement of an Equity Certificate equal to the difference, if any between the U.S. dollar values of the U.S. holder’s purchase price for the Equity Certificate (or, if less, the principal amount of the Equity Certificate) (i) on the date of sale or retirement and (ii) the date on which the U.S. holder acquired the Equity Certificate. Any such exchange rate gain or loss will be realised only to the extent of total gain or loss realised on the sale or retirement.

Disposition of Foreign Currency

Foreign currency received as interest on an Equity Certificate or on the sale or retirement of an Equity Certificate will generally have a tax basis equal to its U.S. dollar value at the time the interest is received or at the time of the sale or retirement. Foreign currency that is purchased will generally have a tax basis equal to the U.S. dollar value of the foreign currency on the date of purchase. Any gain or loss recognised on a sale or other disposition of a foreign currency (including its use to purchase Equity Certificates or upon exchange for U.S. dollars) will be U.S. source ordinary income or loss.

Options or Warrants

The following is a summary of the principal U.S. federal income tax consequences of the ownership of Equity Certificates, treated as options or warrants for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Premium

Premium paid by a U.S. holder for an Equity Certificate will generally be treated as a non-deductible capital expenditure. As described in the following two sections, the amount of such premium will be taken into account upon the exercise, sale, transfer, cash settlement, or lapse of the Equity Certificate.

Sale, Transfer, Cash Settlement, or Lapse of Equity Certificates

A U.S. holder who has purchased an Equity Certificate will generally recognise capital gain or loss upon the sale, transfer, cash settlement or lapse of the Equity Certificate in an amount equal to the difference between (i) the amount realised by the investor from such sale, transfer, settlement, or lapse and (ii) the amount of the premium that the investor paid for the Equity Certificate. Such capital gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the Equity Certificate was held for more than one year. Certain exceptions to such treatment are noted below and, if appropriate, may be addressed in the applicable Final Terms.

Mark-to-Market Rules

Under Section 1256 of the Code, special mark-to-market and character rules apply in the case of certain “nonequity” options and foreign currency contracts. Unless the Equity Certificates (other than Equity Certificates denominated in a currency other than the U.S. dollar) are listed on a “qualified board or exchange” for purposes of Section 1256 of the Code, however, these mark-to-market rules will not be applicable to U.S. holders of the Equity Certificates. Where relevant, the application of the Section 1256 of the Code rules to Equity Certificates denominated in a currency other than the U.S. dollar may be discussed in the applicable Final Terms.

Other Treatments

Tax Treatment of Prepaid Forward Contracts (With or Without a Loan)

If any Equity Certificates are treated as prepaid forward contracts (with or without a loan) for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the following description should apply to such Equity Certificates.

Interest Payments

Payments of interest (if any) will be taxable to a U.S. holder as ordinary interest income at the time such payments are accrued or are received (in accordance with the U.S. holder's regular method of tax accounting).

Cash Settlement, Sale, or Other Disposition of the Equity Certificates

If the Equity Certificates are treated, in whole or in part, as prepaid forward contracts, upon the receipt of cash upon settlement of an Equity Certificate or upon the sale or other disposition of such Equity Certificate, a U.S. holder generally will recognize taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized (generally, the amount of cash received) and such U.S. holder's tax basis in the Equity Certificate. In general, a U.S. holder's tax basis in an Equity Certificate will equal the amount that such U.S. holder paid to acquire the Equity Certificate. Subject to the discussion below under "Constructive Ownership," any such gain or loss generally will be long-term capital gain or loss if the Equity Certificate was held for more than one year at the time of settlement or at the time of sale or other disposition.

Constructive Ownership

Some or all of the net long-term capital gain arising from certain "constructive ownership" transactions may be characterized as ordinary income, in which case an interest charge would be imposed on any such ordinary income. These rules have no immediate application to forward contracts in respect of most property underlying the Equity Certificates, because they are only applicable to the extent that the underlying property directly or indirectly includes shares of issuers treated as PFICs or as certain other "pass-through" entities. These rules, however, grant discretionary authority to the U.S. Treasury Department (the "**Treasury**") to expand the scope of "constructive ownership" transactions to include forward contracts in respect of the stock of all corporations, in addition to forward contracts in respect of any debt instrument. The rules also separately direct the Treasury to promulgate regulations excluding a forward contract that does not convey "substantially all" of the economic return on any underlying asset from the scope of "constructive ownership" transactions. It is not possible to predict whether such regulations will be promulgated by the Treasury, or the form or effective date that any regulations that may be promulgated might take.

Interest in the Underlying Property

Depending on the terms of particular Equity Certificates, a U.S. holder could be treated as owning the property underlying those Equity Certificates for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In that event, for example, in the case of certain index linked Equity Certificates, the U.S. holder would be required to recognise appropriate amounts of capital gain on the disposition of any shares included in the underlying index each time that the index is rebalanced. In such a case, such U.S. holder also would be subject to tax on dividends on shares included in the Index in an amount equal to the gross dividends paid by the companies whose shares are included in the Index. In addition, any current expenses (including any withholding taxes) in respect of shares included in the Index would be treated as if made directly by the U.S. holder, and the deductibility of such expenses (or creditability of such withholding taxes) could be subject to certain limitations.

Contingent Payment Debt Instruments

If any Equity Certificates are treated as contingent payment debt instruments, the tax consequences to a U.S. holder would be determined under U.S. Treasury Regulations governing contingent payment debt instruments (the “**Contingent Payment Regulations**”). The Contingent Payment Regulations are complex, but very generally apply the OID rules of the Code to a contingent payment debt instrument by requiring that OID be accrued by the U.S. holder every year at a “comparable yield” for the issuer of the instrument, determined at the time of issuance of the obligation. In addition, the Contingent Payment Regulations require that a projected payment schedule, which results in such a “comparable yield” be determined by the issuer. Further, a U.S. holder will be required to make adjustments to income accruals to account for differences between the actual payments received by the U.S. holder and the projected amounts of such payments. To the extent that the actual payments received by a U.S. holder exceed the projected payments on a contingent debt instrument in any taxable year, the owner of that instrument will recognise ordinary interest income for that taxable year equal to the amount of such excess. In addition, any gain realised on the sale, exchange or redemption of a contingent payment debt instrument will be treated as ordinary income. Any loss realised on such sale, exchange or redemption will be treated as an ordinary loss to the extent that the U.S. holder’s OID inclusions with respect to the obligation exceed prior reversals of such inclusions required by the adjustment mechanism described above. Any loss realised in excess of such amount generally will be treated as a capital loss.

Loan and One or More Options

If any Equity Certificates are treated as a combination of a loan (or deposit) and one or more options, in general, payments of interest (if any) will be taxable to a U.S. holder as ordinary interest income at the time that such payments are accrued or are received (in accordance with the U.S. holder’s regular

method of tax accounting), while payments in respect of the options would be taxable in a manner similar to the taxation of corresponding payments under Equity Certificates treated as options, as described above under “Options or Warrants.”

Possible Alternative Tax Treatment

If an Equity Certificate is treated as a unit consisting of a loan and a forward contract, a U.S. holder could be required to accrue a significant amount of OID on a current basis during the period in which it holds the Equity Certificate. Alternatively, it is possible that the Equity Certificates could be characterised for U.S. federal income tax purposes as debt instruments that are subject to the Contingent Payment Regulations (as more fully described above under “Contingent Payment Debt Instruments”), in which case, among other matters, a U.S. holder would be required to accrue income, as OID, at a “comparable yield” for the Issuer, on the purchase price. Furthermore, any gain realised with respect to the Equity Certificates would generally be treated as ordinary income.

It is also possible that future regulations or other IRS guidance would require a U.S. holder to accrue income on the Equity Certificates on a current basis. The IRS and the Treasury recently issued proposed regulations that require the current accrual of income with respect to contingent non-periodic payments made under certain notional principal contracts. The preamble to the regulations states that the “wait and see” method of tax accounting does not properly reflect the economic accrual of income on such contracts, and requires a current accrual of income with respect to some contracts already in existence at the time the proposed regulations were released. While the proposed regulations do not apply to prepaid forward contracts, the preamble to the proposed regulations expresses the view that similar timing issues exist in the case of prepaid forward contracts. If the IRS published future guidance requiring current accrual of income with respect to contingent payments on prepaid forward contracts, it is possible that a U.S. holder could be required to accrue income over the term of the Equity Certificates.

Equity Certificates Denominated in a Currency Other Than the U.S. Dollar

In general, except to the extent that the mark-to-market and character rules under Section 1256 apply (see “— Options or Warrants — Mark-to-Market Rules” above), any gain or loss realised in respect of an Equity Certificate denominated in a currency other than the U.S. dollar will be ordinary income or loss. Any such gain or loss generally must be recognised upon a sale, exchange, termination, rollover, settlement or exercise of such Equity Certificate, as well as upon an offset of one contract against another in certain circumstances. In general, if an Equity Certificate denominated in a currency other than the U.S. dollar is subject to Section 1256, a U.S. holder will be required to include mark-to-

market gain or loss in respect of such Equity Certificate at the end of each year (or upon transfer, termination, exercise, lapse or other disposition), with 40 per cent. of such gain or loss being short-term capital gain or loss and 60 per cent. of such gain or loss being long-term capital gain or loss.

Additional U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to Equity Certificates denominated in the currency other than the U.S. dollar may be set forth in the applicable Final Terms.

Foreign Currency Rules

Payments of premium, exercise price, sale proceeds, and cash settlement amounts in respect of Equity Certificates that are denominated in a currency other than the U.S. dollar will be subject to special U.S. tax rules regarding foreign currency transactions. U.S. holders should consult their tax advisors concerning the application of these rules in their particular circumstances.

Recent Developments – Revenue Ruling 2008-2

On 7th December, 2007, the IRS released a notice that may affect the taxation of holders of the Equity Certificates. According to the notice, the IRS and the Treasury are actively considering whether the U.S. holder of an instrument such as the Equity Certificates should be required to accrue ordinary income on a current basis, and they are seeking taxpayer comments on the subject. It is not possible to determine what guidance they will ultimately issue, if any. It is possible, however, that under such guidance, U.S. holders of the Equity Certificates will ultimately be required to accrue income currently and this could be applied on a retroactive basis. The IRS and the Treasury are also considering other relevant issues, including whether additional gain or loss from such Equity Certificates should be treated as ordinary or capital, whether non-U.S. holders of such Equity Certificates should be subject to withholding tax on any deemed income accruals, and whether the special “constructive ownership rules” of Section 1260 of the Code might be applied to such Equity Certificates. U.S. holders are urged to consult their tax advisors concerning the significance, and the potential impact, of the above considerations. The Issuers intend to continue treating the Equity Certificates for U.S. federal income tax purposes in accordance with the treatment described in this Base Prospectus unless and until such time as the Treasury and IRS determine that some alternative treatment is more appropriate.

Non-U.S. Holders

Except as may be noted in the applicable Final Terms, the following summary describes the tax consequences to non-U.S. holders of investing in Equity Certificates.

A non-U.S. holder will generally not be subject to U.S. federal income tax, including withholding tax, on payments on an Equity Certificate, or on proceeds from the sale or other disposition of an Equity Certificate, provided that for purposes of U.S. federal income tax law:

- (i) the payments or proceeds are not effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the United States by the non-U.S. holder;
- (ii) the non-U.S. holder does not own (directly or by attribution) ten percent or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Issuer entitled to vote;
- (iii) the non-U.S. holder is not a bank holding the Equity Certificate in the context of an extension of credit made pursuant to a loan agreement entered into in the ordinary course of its trade or business;
- (iv) the non-U.S. holder does not have a “tax home” (as defined in Section 911(d)(3) of the Code) or an office or other fixed place of business in the United States; and
- (v) the beneficial owner of such securities provides an IRS Form W-8BEN or otherwise satisfies applicable documentary requirements for establishing that it is a non-U.S. holder, unless such payments or proceeds are effectively connected with the conduct by the non-U.S. holder of a trade or business in the United States.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

The relevant Principal Agent will be required to file information returns with the IRS with respect to payments made to certain U.S. holders of Equity Certificates. In addition, certain U.S. holders may be subject to backup withholding tax in respect of such payments if they do not provide their taxpayer identification numbers to the relevant Principal Agent. In general, U.S. information reporting and backup withholding will not apply to payments on Equity Certificates held by a non-U.S. holder and received outside the United States through a non-U.S. bank or other non-U.S. financial institution. Proceeds on sales and payments on Equity Certificates received within the United States or through certain U.S.-related financial institutions may be subject to information reporting and backup withholding unless the non-U.S. holder complies with applicable certification procedures to establish that it is not a U.S. person. Persons holding Equity Certificates who are not U.S. holders may be required to comply with applicable certification procedures to establish that they are non-U.S. holders in order to avoid the application of such information reporting requirements and backup withholding tax.

Non-U.S. holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the application of information reporting and backup withholding in their particular situations, the availability of an exemption therefrom and the procedure for obtaining the exemption, if available. Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld from a payment to a holder under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a credit against the holder's United States federal income tax liability and may entitle the holder to a refund of any excess amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules by timely filing the appropriate claim for refund with the IRS and furnishing all required information.

7. Switzerland

The following is a general summary of the Issuer's understanding of certain Swiss tax consequences in relation to dealings in the Securities according to the currently valid Swiss tax laws and the Swiss tax authorities' practice as of the date of publication of the LaunchPAD programme. This outline is a summary and not exhaustive and does not take into consideration possible special circumstances of some investors. Tax laws and the tax authorities' practice may undergo changes (or their interpretation or application may change) and their validity might also be retroactive.

Potential investors should consult their own tax advisors, legal advisers or financial consultants regarding their personal tax situation when entering into transactions with reference to the Securities.

- (a) **General Information.** The Swiss tax treatment of notes, bonds and other financial instruments are primarily regulated pursuant to the conditions set forth in the Circular Letter no. 15 of the Federal Tax Administration regarding the treatment of Bonds and Derivatives Financial Instruments for the purpose of the Federal Income Tax, Federal Withholding Tax and Federal Stamp Duties, as published on 7 February 2007. These rules are usually also applied by the Cantonal and Communal tax authorities. It should be noted that the Swiss tax terms "notes" and "bonds" are not consistent with the corresponding terms stipulated by Swiss security laws and the international or foreign understanding of such terms.
- (b) **Swiss Stamp Taxes.** The issuance of Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer is in general not subject to the Swiss Issue Stamp Tax ("**Emissionsabgabe**"). Secondary market transactions of Securities which are considered as (debt) financing instruments, share-like products, fund-like products and Low Exercise Price Options (LEPO) on shares with maturity more than one year and the issuance of fund-like Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer are subject to the Swiss Securities Transfer Tax, provided that a Swiss securities dealer ("**Effekthändler**"), as defined

in art. 13 para. 3 of the Swiss Federal Act on Stamp Duties

(“**Stempelabgabengesetz**”), is a party to the Securities transaction or acts as an intermediary thereto. Certain exemptions may, inter alia, apply with regard to institutional investors such as mutual funds, life insurance companies and social security institutions. Pure derivatives for Swiss tax purposes like options and futures do normally not classify as taxable securities and are therefore not subject to Swiss Issue Stamp Tax and Swiss Securities Transfer Tax. If upon the exercise or redemption of a Security an underlying security is delivered to the holder of the Security, the transfer of the underlying security may be subject to Swiss Securities Transfer Tax.

- (c) **Swiss Withholding Tax.** Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer are in general not subject to Swiss withholding tax. Payments or credit of (deemed) interest or dividends on a Security issued by a Swiss resident issuer may be subject to Swiss federal withholding tax at a rate of 35 %. This may apply likewise to payments or credits of yield from Securities which classify for tax purposes as fund-like products. The holder of a Security who is resident in Switzerland may be entitled to a full refund of or a full tax credit for the Swiss federal withholding tax, subject to conditions being met. A non Swiss resident holder of a Security may be able to claim a full or partial refund of the Swiss federal withholding tax if such a holder is entitled to claim benefits with regard to such a payment of a double taxation treaty between Switzerland and his or her country of residence.
- (d) **Swiss Income Tax Treatment for Securities Held by Private Investors (Individuals) with Tax Residence in Switzerland as Part of their Private Assets.** Payments or credits received by a holder of a Security, which are considered in a Swiss tax perspective as dividends or interests, are subject to income tax. Gains or losses realised upon a sale or other disposition by individuals with tax residence in Switzerland holding a Security as part of their private assets (private capital gain or losses) are in general not subject to Swiss Income Tax and are not deductible from taxable income respectively. However, capital gains may be subject to income taxation, if a Security qualifies as predominant one-time interest paying bond. Also gains or losses realised by buying or selling of pure derivatives for Swiss tax purposes (options and futures) are not subject to income tax as they are considered as tax-exempt capital gains or losses. Whether a Security generates taxable income (dividend and interest) or tax-exempt capital gains is depending on certain features of the Security (1-delta pay-off, reverse convertible, guaranteed coupon payments or capital protection etc.), on the underlying of the Security and on the maturity of the

Security. Some Securities may be divided into taxable bonds and a tax-exempt option (or combinations of options) provided that the Security is, for Swiss tax purposes, made transparent by the issuer. A Security is considered transparent if the value on issuance of its bond and its option components can be determined separately. Under the condition of transparency, the option premium paid by the issuer is exempt from income taxation (where otherwise applicable); taxation is limited to the interest of the bond part which would have been paid for an investment in a comparable straight bond of the same issuer with a similar term and the same currency at market conditions. If the interest part of the Security is paid as a one-time compensation, the so-called “modifizierte Differenzbesteuerung” may apply in each case of pre-maturity sale or redemption of the Security. If a Security is not made transparent for Swiss tax purposes (only if the security needs to be transparent for Swiss tax purposes) the total payment to the investor (except the repayment of the invested capital) could be considered as taxable income.

- (e) **Swiss Income Tax Treatment for Securities Held by Swiss Resident Entities or Individuals as Part of Business Assets.** Income of any kind realised from Securities as part of business assets of individuals (including deemed securities dealers for Swiss tax purposes) or entities in Switzerland are subject to personal income tax or corporate income tax respectively as part of their overall net income.
- (f) **Wealth Taxation of Securities Held by Private Investors (Individuals) with Tax Residence in Switzerland.** The market value of the Securities may be subject to wealth tax levied on overall net wealth of individuals with tax residence in Switzerland, regardless of whether the Securities are held as part of their private or business assets.
- (g) **EU Savings Tax.** On 26 October 2004, the European Community and Switzerland entered into an agreement on the taxation of savings income pursuant to which Switzerland adopts measures equivalent to those of the European Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on the taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments. The agreement came into force as of 1 July 2005. On the basis of this agreement, Switzerland introduced a withholding tax on interest payments and other similar income paid by a paying agent within Switzerland to an individual resident in an EU member state. The withholding tax is withheld at a rate of 15 % for the first three years beginning with 1 July 2005, 20 % for the next three years and 35 % thereafter, with the option of such an individual to have the paying agent and Switzerland provide to the tax authorities of the Member State details of the payments in lieu of the withholding. The beneficial owner of the interest payments may be

entitled to a tax credit or refund of the withholding, if any, provided that that certain conditions are met. Securities issued under this programme may be subject to EU Savings Tax. The qualification regarding “in scope” or “out of scope” of the EU Savings Tax is depending on certain features of the Security and on the underlying of the Security.

SELLING RESTRICTIONS

The statements which follow are of a general nature. Potential purchasers in each jurisdiction must ensure that they are able validly to take delivery of the Securities and any assets into which they may convert or be settled. Additional certifications may be required by the Issuer and/or any clearance system at the time of exercise and/or settlement.

1. GENERAL

No action has been or will be taken by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuer.

2. PUBLIC OFFER SELLING RESTRICTION UNDER THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a “**Relevant Member State**”), the Issuer represents and agrees that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the “**Relevant Implementation Date**”) it has not made and will not make an offer of Securities which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Base Prospectus as completed by the final terms in relation thereto to the public in that Relevant Member State except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of Securities to the public in that Relevant Member State:

- (a) if the final terms in relation to the Securities specify that an offer of those Securities may be made other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State (a “**Non-exempt Offer**”), following the date of publication of a prospectus in relation to such Securities which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State provided that any such prospectus has subsequently been completed by the final terms contemplating such Non-exempt Offer, in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, in the period beginning and ending on the dates specified in such prospectus or final terms, as applicable;

- (b) at any time to legal entities which are authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorised or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;
- (c) at any time to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than €43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts;
- (d) at any time to fewer than 100 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive); or
- (e) at any time in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive;

provided that no such offer of Securities referred to in (b) to (e) above shall require the Issuer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “**offer of Securities to the public**” in relation to any Securities in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Securities, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression “**Prospectus Directive**” means Directive 2003/71/EC and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

3. THE NETHERLANDS

Securities which qualify as savings certificates as defined in the Savings Certificates Act (“*Wet inzake spaarbewijzen*”) may only be transferred or accepted through the mediation of either the Issuer or an admitted institution of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. with due observance of the Savings Certificates Act and its implementing regulations (including registration requirements), provided that no mediation is required in respect of:

- (a) the initial issue of those Securities to the first holders thereof;
- (b) any transfer and delivery by individuals who do not act in the conduct of a profession or trade; and
- (c) the issue and trading of those Securities, if they are physically issued outside The Netherlands and are not distributed in The Netherlands in the course of primary trading or immediately thereafter.

4. UNITED STATES

The Selling Restrictions set out herein apply only to those Securities which are not Equity Certificates issued in registered form.

No Securities of any Series have been, or will be, registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), and trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “**CFTC**”) under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (the “**CEA**”). No Securities of any Series, or interests therein, may at any time be offered, sold, resold or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person.

Offers, sales, resales or deliveries of Securities of any Series, or interests therein, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons would constitute a violation of United States securities laws unless made in compliance with the registration requirements of the Securities Act or pursuant to an exemption therefrom. In addition, in the absence of relief from the CFTC, offers, sales, resales, trades or deliveries of Securities, or interests therein, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons, may constitute a violation of United States law governing commodities trading.

Securities having a maturity of more than one year will be issued in compliance with U.S. Treas. Reg. §1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(C) (the “**C Rules**”). Securities having a maturity of one year or less are not subject to the C Rules and will be referred to in the relevant Final Terms as a transaction to which the C Rules are not applicable.

The Securities subject to the C Rules may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States, except in certain transactions permitted by U.S. tax regulations. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder.

The Issuer will require each dealer participating in the distribution of Securities subject to the C Rules to agree that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver, directly or indirectly, the Securities in the United States or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States. Further, the Issuer and each dealer to which it sells the Securities will represent and agree that in connection with the original issuance of such Securities that it has not communicated, and will not communicate, directly or indirectly, with a prospective purchaser if such purchaser is within the United States and will not otherwise involve its U.S. office in the offer or sale of such Securities. The terms used in the preceding

sentence (and not otherwise defined below) have the meanings given to them by the Code and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder, including the C Rules.

As used herein, **United States** means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia), its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction; and **U.S. person** means (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (iii) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (iv) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (v) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (ii) above; (vi) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (i) to (v) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the CFTC's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (vii) any other "U.S. Person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act or in regulations adopted under the CEA.

Notice to Purchasers and Holders of Restricted Securities and Transfer Restrictions

Each purchaser of Securities will, by its purchase of such Securities, be deemed to acknowledge, represent and agree as follows:

- (a) that trading in the Securities has not been and will not be approved by the CFTC under the CEA;
- (b) that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver, directly or indirectly, any Securities of such Series so purchased in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (c) that it is not purchasing any Securities of such Series for the account or benefit of any U.S. person;
- (d) that it will not make offers, sales, resales or deliveries of any Securities of such Series (otherwise acquired), directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;

- (e) that it will send each person who purchases any Securities of such issue from it a written confirmation (which shall include the definitions of **United States** and **U.S. person** set forth herein) stating that the Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, that trading in the Securities has not been approved by the CFTC under the CEA and stating that such purchaser agrees that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver any of such Securities, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (f) that no U.S. person or person in the United States may at any time trade or maintain a position in the instruments and that a person entitled to receive an interim payment or exercising (or entitled to receive any amount at maturity or exercise under) the instrument will be required to certify that neither it nor the beneficial owner of the instrument is a U.S. person or is located in the United States;
- (g) that any person exercising a Security will be required to represent that it is not a U.S. person; and
- (h) if it is outside the United States and is not a U.S. person, that if it should resell or otherwise transfer the Securities prior to 40 days after the closing of the offer of the relevant Securities, it will do so only (a) outside the United States in compliance with Rule 903 or 904 under the Securities Act and (b) in accordance with all applicable United States state securities laws; and it acknowledges that the Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by the Issuer:

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”) AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

5. UNITED KINGDOM

The Issuer represents, warrants and agrees that it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the “**FSMA**”)) received by it in connection with

the issue or sale of any Securities in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA would not, if the Issuer was not an authorised person, apply to the Issuer and it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to any Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

6. INDIA

Any purchase of the Securities relating to or linked to securities listed on a stock exchange in India or indices that reference such securities should be made on the understanding that the purchaser shall be deemed to acknowledge, represent, warrant and undertake to the Group that:

- (a) it consents to the provision by the Group to any Indian governmental or regulatory authority of any information regarding it and its dealings in the Securities as required under applicable Indian regulations and/or as requested by any Indian governmental or regulatory authority;
- (b) it agrees to promptly provide to the Group, or directly to the relevant Indian governmental or regulatory authority (and confirm to the Group when it has done so), such additional information that the Group deems necessary or appropriate in order for the Group to comply with any such regulations and/or requests;
- (c) the Securities are not being purchased for the account of or pursuant to or in connection with any back-to-back transaction with: (i) a Person Resident in India as the term is used in the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999; or (ii) a “Non-Resident Indian”, a “Person of Indian Origin” or an “Overseas Corporate Body”, as such terms are used in the Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) Regulations 2000 as notified by the Reserve Bank of India; or (iii) any entity or person that is not regulated (as such term is used in the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Institutional Investors Amendment) Regulations, 2004) (each, a “Restricted Entity”) or a nominee of a Restricted Entity;
- (d) it is not a Restricted Entity or a nominee of a Restricted Entity;
- (e) it will not, directly or indirectly, sell, transfer, assign, novate or otherwise dispose of the Securities to or for the account of any Restricted Entity or to any nominee of any Restricted Entity; and

- (f) any sale, transfer, assignment, novation or other disposal of the Securities by it, whether direct or indirect, will be subject to the acquiring entity giving substantially the same representations and warranties to it as set out in sub-paragraphs (c) to (f) (inclusive).

The Securities have not been approved by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, Reserve Bank of India or any other regulatory authority of India, nor have the foregoing authorities approved this Base Prospectus or confirmed the accuracy or determined the adequacy of the information contained in this Base Prospectus. This Base Prospectus has not been and will not be registered as a prospectus or a statement in lieu of prospectus with the Registrar of Companies in India.

Prospective investors must seek legal advice as to whether they are entitled to subscribe to the Securities and must comply with all relevant Indian laws in this respect. Each investor is deemed to have acknowledged and agreed that it is eligible to invest in the Securities under applicable laws and regulations and that it is not prohibited under any law or regulation in India from acquiring, owning or selling the Securities.

7. HONG KONG

The Securities may not be offered or sold in Hong Kong, by means of any document, other than (i) to persons whose ordinary business is to buy and sell shares and debentures (whether as principal or agent); or (ii) to “professional investors” within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder (the “SFO”); or (iii) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a “prospectus” within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong) or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of that Ordinance. Unless permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong, no Holder may issue or have in its possession for the purpose of issue any advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Securities whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere, which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong other than with respect to the Securities intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong, or only to “professional investors” within the meaning of the SFO.

8. SINGAPORE

This Base Prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore under the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the “SFA”). Accordingly, this Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Securities may not be circulated

or distributed, nor may the Securities be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to any person in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor specified in Section 274 of the SFA; (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA; or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Each of the following relevant persons specified in Section 275 of the SFA which has subscribed or purchased Securities, namely a person who is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an accredited investor,

should note that shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest in that trust shall not be transferable for 6 months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Securities under Section 275 of the SFA except:

- (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA or to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A) of the SFA, and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA;
- (ii) where no consideration is given for the transfer;
- (iii) by operation of law; or
- (iv) pursuant to Section 276(7) of the SFA.

9. TAIWAN

The Securities may not be sold, offered or issued in Taiwan unless they are made available for purchase through the non discretionary trust services of licensed Taiwan banks or the brokerage services of licensed Taiwan brokers acting as trustees or agents, as applicable, of their customers and not as agent of the Issuer or any other party.

10. SAUDI ARABIA

Any purchase of the Securities relating to or linked to securities, whether or not listed on a stock exchange, in Saudi Arabia or indices that reference such securities should be made on

the understanding that the purchaser shall be deemed to acknowledge, represent, warrant and undertake to the Issuer that:

- (a) it consents to the provision by the Issuer to any Saudi Arabian governmental or regulatory authority, (such as the KSA Capital Markets Authority) of any information regarding it and its dealings in the Securities as required under applicable Saudi Arabian regulations and/or as requested by any Indian governmental or regulatory authority;
- (c) it agrees to promptly provide to the Issuer, or directly to the relevant governmental or regulatory authority (and confirm to the Issuer when it has done so), such additional information that the Issuer deems necessary or appropriate in order for the Issuer to comply with any such regulations and/or requests;
- (c) the Securities are not being purchased for the account of or pursuant to or in connection with a “Non-resident foreign investor” for the purposes of any CMA or other governmental or regulatory authority resolution and it is not knowingly entering into a transaction for the purchase of Securities, on behalf of, or for the benefit or account of any person or entity that is not a non-resident foreign investor for the purposes of such resolution;

Prospective investors must seek legal advice as to whether they are entitled to subscribe to the Securities and must comply with all relevant Saudi Arabian laws in this respect. Each investor is deemed to have acknowledged and agreed that it is eligible to invest in the Securities under applicable laws and regulations and that it is not prohibited under any law or regulation in Saudi Arabia from acquiring, owning or selling the Securities.

11. SWITZERLAND

Securities issued under this Programme which are not listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. do not qualify for public distribution in or from Switzerland according to Article 5 of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes. Accordingly, such Securities may not be publicly distributed in or from Switzerland and neither this Programme, any Final Terms nor any marketing material relating to the Securities may be distributed in connection with such distribution, unless a special simplified prospectus is prepared setting forth any and all information which may be required to be disclosed in a simplified prospectus pursuant to Art. 5 of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes and any implementing ordinance or other applicable act or regulation or self-regulation in the Final Terms or a separate document (the "**Simplified Prospectus**"). Any Term Sheet prepared shall be subject

to the Final Terms and the Simplified Prospectus, if any, for the relevant Securities. If no Simplified Prospectus is prepared, the Securities may only be offered and the Programme, any Final Terms or any marketing material may only be distributed in or from Switzerland to qualified investors according to the applicable provisions of the Collective Investment Scheme Act ("**CISA**") in such a way that there is no public marketing or offering in or from Switzerland as defined pursuant to the most restrictive interpretation of the applicable Swiss laws and regulations.

SALES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES

Information under this heading is applicable only to Securities which are in registered form and are offered to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A.

The Selling Restrictions set out herein apply only to those Securities which are Equity Certificates. Only the Equity Certificates and no other Securities pursuant to this Base Prospectus will be offered into the U.S. or to U.S. investors.

General

The Securities have not been registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”) or the securities laws of any state or political subdivision of the United States, and may not be offered, sold, transferred or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person, except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to the requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable U.S. state securities laws. The Securities are being offered and sold only: (i) outside the United States to persons other than U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) in offshore transactions that meet the requirements of Regulation S under the Securities Act (“**Regulation S**”); and (ii) to U.S. persons who are “qualified institutional buyers” (as defined in Rule 144A of the Securities Act).

Certain Series of the Securities (each a “**Relevant Series**”) may be offered and sold in reliance upon Regulation S outside the United States to non-U.S. persons and, with respect to Securities in registered form only, within the United States (1) in reliance upon Rule 144A under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144A**”) to qualified institutional buyers within the meaning of Rule 144A (“**QIBs**”) or (2) in transactions otherwise exempt from registration, in each case as further specified herein. Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that sellers of the Securities may be relying on the exemption from the provisions of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A.

Effective from the date of commencement of discussions concerning a Relevant Series, each Holder and its respective employees, representatives or other agents may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the Relevant Series and all materials of any kind, including opinions or other tax analyses, if any, that have been provided to such Holder relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. However, the foregoing does not constitute an authorisation to disclose the Issuer’s identity or that of its affiliates, agents or advisors or, except to

the extent relating to such tax structure or tax treatment, any specific pricing terms or commercial or financial information.

Notice to New Hampshire Residents

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B (**RSA 421-B**) OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, OR SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

Available Information

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with sales of any Securities, the Issuer has undertaken to furnish, upon the request of a Holder of such Securities, or a beneficial owner of an interest therein, to such Holder or beneficial owner or to a prospective purchaser designated by such Holder or beneficial owner, the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if, at the time of the request, the Issuer is neither a reporting company under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act nor exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act.

Notice to Purchasers and Holders of Restricted Securities and Transfer Restrictions

As a result of the following restrictions, purchasers of Securities in the United States are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any purchase, offer, sale, resale or other transfer of such Securities.

Each purchaser of Securities will, by its purchase of such Securities, be deemed to acknowledge, represent and agree as follows (unless otherwise specified, terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or in Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

- (i) that for so long as the Securities are “restricted securities” (as defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act) either: (a) it is a QIB, purchasing (or holding) the Securities for its own account or for the account of one or more QIBs and it is aware, and each beneficial owner of such Security has been advised, that any sale to it is being made in reliance on Rule 144A, or (b) it is outside the United States and is not a U.S. person;
- (ii) that in issuing the Securities, the Issuer is not making, and has not made any representations whatsoever as to any of the issuer of the Shares (the “**Underlying Issuer**”) or any information contained in any document filed by the Underlying Issuer with any exchange or with any governmental entity regulating the purchase and sale of securities or the Securities;
- (iii) that the Issuer and any affiliate of the Issuer may, whether by virtue of the types of relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter be in possession of information in relation to the Underlying Issuer that is or may be material in the context of the Securities and which is or may not be known to the general public or the Holder. The Securities do not create any obligation on the part of the Issuer or any affiliate of the Issuer to disclose to the Holder any such relationship or information (whether or not confidential) and neither the Issuer nor any other affiliate of the Issuer shall be liable to the Holder by reason of such non-disclosure. No such information has been used in the selection of the Underlying Issuer for the Securities;
- (iv) that the Issuer and any affiliate of the Issuer may have existing or future business relationships with the Underlying Issuer (including, but not limited to, lending, depository, risk management, advisory or banking relationships) and will pursue actions and take steps that it deems or they deem necessary or appropriate to protect its or their interests arising therefrom without regard to the consequences for a Holder of the Securities;
- (v) that the market value of the Securities may be adversely affected by movements in the value of the Shares or in interest rates or currency exchange rates;
- (vi) trading in the Securities has not been and will not be approved by the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act;
- (vii) that the Securities are being offered and sold in a transaction not involving a public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act and that the Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable United States state securities laws and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except as set forth below;

- (viii) that if in the future it decides to resell, or otherwise transfer the Securities or any beneficial interests in the Securities, it will do so, for so long as the Securities are restricted securities, only (a) to the Issuer or any affiliate thereof, (b) pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act, (c) inside the United States to a person whom the seller reasonably believes is a QIB purchasing for its own account or for the account of a QIB in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, (d) outside the United States in compliance with Rule 903 or 904 under the Securities Act, or (e) pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act, in each case in accordance with all applicable United States state securities laws;
- (ix) it will, and will require each subsequent Holder to, notify any purchaser of the Securities from it of the resale restrictions referred to in paragraph (viii) above, if then applicable;
- (x) that Securities offered in the United States to QIBs will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Securities and that Securities offered outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Securities;
- (xi) that the Rule 144A Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by the Issuer:

“THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS AND, ACCORDINGLY, MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND UNLESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS SECURITY, WHETHER UPON ORIGINAL ISSUANCE OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFER, ACKNOWLEDGES THE RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER SET FORTH BELOW AND AGREES THAT IT SHALL TRANSFER SUCH SECURITIES ONLY AS PROVIDED HEREIN. BY ITS ACQUISITION THEREOF, THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY OR AN INTEREST HEREIN REPRESENTS THAT IT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) PURCHASING THIS SECURITY OR AN INTEREST HEREIN FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF ONE OR MORE QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS SECURITY OR AN INTEREST HEREIN IS HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE SELLER OF THIS SECURITY OR AN INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE RELYING ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 5 OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY RULE 144A THEREUNDER. THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY OR AN INTEREST HEREIN, BY

ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, AGREES TO OFFER, SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS SECURITY, FOR SO LONG AS THIS SECURITY IS A “RESTRICTED SECURITY” (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) ONLY (A) TO THE ISSUER OR ANY AFFILIATE THEREOF, (B) PURSUANT TO A REGISTRATION STATEMENT THAT HAS BEEN DECLARED EFFECTIVE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (C) TO A PERSON IT REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER THAT PURCHASES FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (D) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (E) PURSUANT TO ANOTHER EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. THE HOLDER (OR BENEFICIAL HOLDER) WILL, AND EACH SUBSEQUENT HOLDER IS REQUIRED TO, NOTIFY ANY PURCHASER OF THIS SECURITY FROM IT OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS REFERRED TO IN THIS PARAGRAPH.

IF AT ANY TIME ANY TRANSFER AGENT SUBSEQUENTLY DETERMINES OR IS SUBSEQUENTLY NOTIFIED BY THE ISSUER THAT THE HOLDER OF ANY INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS GLOBAL SECURITY WAS IN BREACH, AT THE TIME GIVEN, OF ANY REPRESENTATION OR AGREEMENT SET FORTH IN ANY TRANSFER CERTIFICATE, THEN THE PURPORTED TRANSFER SHALL BE ABSOLUTELY NULL AND VOID AB INITIO AND SHALL VEST NO RIGHTS IN THE PURPORTED TRANSFEREE (SUCH PURPORTED TRANSFEREE, A “DISQUALIFIED TRANSFEREE”) AND THE LAST PRECEDING HOLDER OF SUCH INTEREST THAT WAS NOT A DISQUALIFIED TRANSFEREE SHALL BE RESTORED TO ALL RIGHTS AS A HOLDER THEREOF RETROACTIVELY TO THE DATE OF SUCH TRANSFER OF SUCH INTEREST BY SUCH HOLDER.

IF REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR BY A MANAGER, THE PURCHASER AGREES TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE TRANSFER OF THIS SECURITY IS PERMISSIBLE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT.”;

- (xii) if it is outside the United States and is not a U.S. person, that if it should resell or otherwise transfer the Securities prior to the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period (as defined in Rule 902 under the Securities Act), it will do so only (a)(i) outside the United States in compliance with Rule 903 or 904 under the Securities Act or (ii) to a QIB in compliance with Rule 144A and (b) in accordance with all applicable United States state securities laws; and it acknowledges that the Regulation S Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by the Issuer:

“THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS AND, ACCORDINGLY, MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND UNLESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION.”; and

- (xiii) that the Issuer and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of such acknowledgements, representations or agreements made by it are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer; and if it is acquiring any Securities as a fiduciary or agent for one or more accounts it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and that it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements on behalf of each such account.

No sale of interests in a Rule 144A Global Security to any one purchaser, will be for less than U.S.\$100,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent) nominal amount. No interest in a Rule 144A Global Security will be issued in connection with a sale in a smaller applicable nominal amount. If the purchaser is a non-bank fiduciary acting on behalf of others, each person for whom it is acting must purchase at least U.S.\$100,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent) nominal amount of Securities.

ERISA

The Issuer and certain affiliates of the Issuer may each be considered a “party in interest” within the meaning of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”) or a “disqualified person” within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, (the “Code”) with respect to certain employee benefit plans and individual retirement accounts, Keoghs and other plans subject to Section 4975 of the Code. Prohibited transactions within the meaning of ERISA or the Code may arise, for example, if the Securities are acquired by or with the assets of a pension or other employee benefit plan or account with respect to which the Issuer or any of its affiliates is a service provider, unless the Securities are acquired pursuant to an exemption from the prohibited transaction rules. Similar rules may also apply to certain governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) church or non U.S. plans, to the extent such plans are subject to provisions similar to the prohibited transaction rules under other federal, state, local or non-U.S. laws.

The assets of a pension or other employee benefit plan may include assets held in the general account of an insurance company that are deemed to be “plan assets” under ERISA.

The acquisition of the Securities may be eligible for one of the exemptions noted below if such acquisition:

- (a) (i) is made solely with the assets of a bank collective investment fund and (ii) satisfies the requirements and conditions of Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 91-38 issued by the Department of Labor (“DOL”);
- (b) (i) is made solely with assets of an insurance company pooled separate account and (ii) satisfies the requirements and conditions of PTCE 90-1 issued by the DOL;
- (c) (i) is made solely with assets managed by a qualified professional asset manager and (ii) satisfies the requirements and conditions of PTCE 84-14 issued by the DOL;
- (d) (i) is made solely with assets of a governmental, church or non-U.S. plan, and (ii) is not subject to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code;
- (e) (i) is made solely with assets of an insurance company general account and (ii) satisfies the requirements and conditions of PTCE 95-60 issued by the DOL;
- (f) (i) is made solely with assets managed by an in-house asset manager and (ii) satisfies the requirements and conditions of PTCE 96-23 issued by the DOL; or
- (g) is made in accordance with Section 408(b)(17) to a non-fiduciary service provider for adequate consideration.

By its purchase of any Security and by each subsequent transferee’s purchase of any Security, each Holder and each subsequent transferee will be deemed to have represented and warranted on each day from the date on which it acquires the Security through and including the date on which it disposes of its interest in the Security, either that (A) it is not a plan subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or a governmental, church or non-U.S. plan which is subject to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or, (B)(i) its purchase, holding and disposition of the Security will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, church or non-U.S. plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, local or non-U.S. law) or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA of the Code (including, without limitation, Section 404(b) of ERISA and DOL regulation section 2550.404b-1) for which an exemption is not available, and (ii) neither the Issuer nor any of its affiliates is a “fiduciary” (within the meaning of Section 3(21) of ERISA) with respect to it by reason of its investment in the Securities and no advice that has been provided to it by the Issuer or any of its affiliates has formed a primary basis for any investment decision by it made in connection with the Securities. By its purchase of any Security, each Holder hereby indemnifies the Issuer, its

subsidiaries and affiliates, and its officers, directors, advisors and other representatives and any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, against any direct or indirect liability that arises from any breach (whether or not intentional) of the foregoing representations.

Each purchaser of Securities will, by its purchase of such Securities, be deemed to acknowledge that the purchase of the Security may not satisfy the indicia of ownership requirements under ERISA (Section 404(b)) and the Issuer makes no representations in connection therewith. Accordingly, benefit plan investors that are subject to ERISA should consult with their own counsel to determine whether the purchase of Securities will satisfy the indicia of ownership requirements of ERISA applicable to such purchase.

Any insurance company or pension or employee benefit plan proposing to invest in the Securities should consult with its legal counsel. Purchasers of the Securities have exclusive responsibility for ensuring that their purchase and holding of the Securities does not violate the fiduciary and prohibited transaction rules of ERISA, the Code or any similar laws or rules.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Authorisation

The Issuer's managing board, in its capacity as the Issuer's representative, is responsible for issuing debt instruments. The Issuer's managing board has delegated the issue of debt instruments, including the Securities, to the Group Asset and Liability Committee pursuant to a resolution dated 1 April 2010. In addition, the issue of Securities has been approved by the Issuer's supervisory board pursuant to a resolution dated 1 April 2010 and in accordance with the Issuer's articles of association. All consents, approvals, authorisations or other orders of all regulatory authorities required by the Issuer under the laws of The Netherlands have been given for the issue of the Securities.

Listing

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market for Securities issued up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus to be admitted to trading and to be listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market. Certain Securities issued under this Base Prospectus may not be listed. For so long as the Securities are listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext and NYSE Euronext requires so there will be a paying agent in The Netherlands. ABN AMRO Bank N.V. MF 2020 Kemelstede 2, P.O. Box 3200, 4800 DE Breda, The Netherlands has been appointed as the initial paying agent in The Netherlands.

Documents available

During the validity of this Base Prospectus, copies of the following documents will, when published, be available, free of charge, from the registered office of the Issuer and from the specified office of the Agent:

- (a) the most recent Articles of Association of the Issuer;
- (b) the consolidated audited financial statements of RBS Holdings N.V. in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2009 together with the audit reports thereon;
- (c) all future consolidated financial statements of the Issuer;
- (d) a copy of the Registration Document;
- (e) all documents incorporated herein by reference;
- (f) a copy of this Base Prospectus; and

(g) the applicable Final Terms.

The Registration Document, copies of all documents incorporated by reference and other documents as mentioned above, are accessible at <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive> and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group Investor Relations, 280 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 207 672 1758, email investor.relations@rbs.com or at the registered office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom.

Clearing and settlement systems

The Securities have been accepted for clearance through Clearstream Banking AG (“Clearstream AG”), Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (“**Euroclear Netherlands**”), Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V. (“**Euroclear Luxembourg**”), Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme* (“**Clearstream, Luxembourg**”) and SIX SIS Ltd (“**SIX SIS Ltd**”). The appropriate WKN, Common Code, International Securities Identification Number and Valoren for each Series allocated by Clearstream AG, Euroclear Netherlands, Euroclear, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Luxembourg and SIX SIS Ltd, and any other relevant security code allocated by any other relevant clearing system, will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Securities are to clear through an additional or alternative clearing system the appropriate additional or alternative information will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. Transactions will normally be effected for settlement not earlier than three days after the date of the transaction.

Information on the Offering of the Securities

(a) Offer Process

For a short period prior to the Launch Date specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities of the relevant Series may be offered by the Issuer for subscription to prospective investors but the Issuer reserves the right to close subscription early. The Issuer anticipates that it will deliver the Final Terms in respect of each Series of the Securities which are to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange prior to the commencement of the Subscription Period specified in the Final Terms or prior to the Launch Date specified in the Final Terms if there is no Subscription Period. On or about the Launch Date, the Issuer will, pursuant to its agreement with NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange, as the case may be, offer to buy or sell the Securities of any Series to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam or any other stock exchange (as applicable). Any such trading, if any, will be on an as, if and when issued basis until the Issue Date specified in the applicable Final Terms. Except in the case of dematerialised or SIS cleared Securities, the Securities will be issued in global bearer form and all trades will be settled in the applicable clearing systems on their usual basis for secondary market transactions. Other than

the issue price of the Securities of the relevant Series, each prospective investor shall not be required to pay any expenses to the Issuer in order to subscribe for the relevant Securities.

Securities may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on such other or further stock exchanges or markets as the Issuer may decide. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities and/or Securities not admitted to trading on any market.

(b) Description of the Application and Payment Process for a Prospective Purchaser

Applications for Securities may be made by a prospective purchaser through any broker, financial adviser, banker, financial intermediary or other agent acting in such a capacity (each a “**Selling Agent**”) which has a relationship with the Issuer governing the sale of the Securities. Pursuant to anti-money laundering regulations, prospective purchasers who are not an existing client of a Selling Agent may be required by their Selling Agent of choice to complete an anti-money laundering form and to provide further evidence of identification in advance of applying for any Securities.

Each prospective purchaser should ascertain from its Selling Agent of choice when that Selling Agent will require receipt of cleared funds from its clients in respect of applications for Securities and the manner in which payment should be made to the Selling Agent. Each Selling Agent may impose different arrangements relating to the purchase of Securities and prospective investors should contact the Selling Agents directly for information concerning such arrangements. Applicants for Securities who arrange to purchase the Securities through a Selling Agent should note that in doing so they are assuming the credit risk of the relevant Selling Agent and that such arrangements will be subject to the applicable conditions of the relevant Selling Agent.

(c) Conditions to Which the Offer is Subject

The offer, in respect of a particular Series of Securities is subject to the Conditions as set out in this Base Prospectus, the relevant Final Terms and any document incorporated by reference (see “*Documents Incorporated by Reference*”).

(d) Minimum/Maximum Application Amount

Investors are required to subscribe for a minimum of one (1) Security and thereafter in multiples of one (1) Security unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the relevant Series of the Securities. There is no maximum subscription amount unless otherwise stated in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the relevant Series of the Securities.

(e) Scale-back and Cancellation

The Issuer reserves the right, prior to the Issue Date, in its absolute discretion to:

1. decline in whole or in part an application for Securities such that a prospective purchaser for Securities may, in certain circumstances, not be issued the number of (or any) Securities for which it has applied (“**Scale-back**”); or
2. withdraw, cancel or modify the offer of the Securities (“**Cancellation**”).

The Issuer may Scale-back or Cancel the Securities without notice and will notify prospective investors of such Scale-back or Cancellation after such Scale-back or Cancellation has occurred. In the event that the Securities are not issued, no subscription monies shall be payable by prospective purchasers to the Issuer (either directly or indirectly through a Selling Agent (as defined above)) in respect of the Securities. Prospective purchasers should contact their Selling Agent of choice for details of the arrangements for the return of application monies in such circumstances. The Issuer shall have no responsibility for, or liability arising out of, the relationship between prospective purchasers and their respective Selling Agents and clearing system operators, including, without limitation, in respect of arrangements concerning the return of monies by such persons to their clients.

(f) Details of the Manner in Which the Results of the Initial Offer are to be Made Public

A prospective investor submitting an offer to purchase Securities will be notified of the acceptance or otherwise of such application on or prior to the Issue Date.

(g) Categories of Investors to which Securities are Offered

The Securities will be offered to both retail and qualified investors.

(h) Expenses and Taxes

Any expenses are described in the relevant Product Conditions and Final Terms for the relevant Series and will be deducted accordingly. For further information on taxes, please refer to the section titled “Taxation”.

(i) Post-issuance information

The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information.

(j) Description of the Securities

Certificates are investment instruments which, at maturity or expiration either pay an amount determined by reference to the level of the underlying currency, commodity, index (including in the case of an index, the index and its constituent elements), stock, bond or other product or deliver the Underlying, subject to the certificate entitlement. As such, certificates entail the same level of risk as a direct investment in the Underlying. Investors should be aware that their entire investment may be lost in the event that the Underlying is valued at zero. Unlike direct investments, investors are not

able to hold certificates beyond their stated maturity or expiration date in the expectation of a recovery in the price of the Underlying.

The price at which a holder will be able to sell certificates prior to maturity or expiration may be at a potentially substantial discount to the market value of the certificates at the issue date, if, at such time and in addition to any other factors, the value of the Underlying is below, equal to or not sufficiently above the value of the Underlying at the issue date.

Airbag certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that the return to the Holder is subject to a minimum amount unless the Underlying drops below a predetermined level. The Holder is entitled to an increased return if the Underlying rises above its level as of the Pricing Date. These certificates cannot be exercised by the Holder but instead are automatically exercised at maturity.

Discount certificates are similar to ordinary certificates, except that the return to the Holder is effectively capped. These certificates cannot be exercised by the Holder but instead are automatically exercised at maturity.

Bonus certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that the Underlying is monitored during the life of the certificates. If a “knock-out event” is deemed to have occurred during the life of the certificates then and at expiration or maturity the Holder will receive an amount equivalent to the value of the Underlying as of the expiration or maturity. If a knock-out event has not occurred at any point during the life of the certificates then the Holder will receive at least the amount originally invested, and might receive more, if specified in the relevant Final Terms. These certificates cannot be exercised by the Holder but instead are automatically exercised at maturity.

Double-up certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that a Strike Price is set at the issue of the certificates equal to or around the level of the Underlying at that time. If the Underlying on expiration or maturity is at or above the Strike Price, then the Holder will receive an amount equal to the value of the Underlying plus the difference between the value of the Underlying and the Strike Price, effectively “doubling-up” the increase performance of the Underlying. The amount received by the Holder will however be subject to a maximum amount. These certificates cannot be exercised by the Holder but instead are automatically exercised at maturity.

Express certificates are similar to ordinary certificates except that the certificates may provide that they will be subject to automatic early termination in certain circumstances. To the extent that, at the maturity of the certificates, the Underlying has risen above its level at the Pricing Date, the Holder will participate in such rise, but such returns may be subject to a maximum amount. To the extent that, at the maturity of the certificates, the Underlying has fallen below its level at the Pricing Date, the Holder may receive less than the amount invested and, in certain cases, could lose its entire investment.

Equity certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a share. Equity certificates are not open end certificates. Equity certificates may be cash settled. Equity certificates may only be physically settled by non-U.S. persons. Cash settled certificates pay, upon exercise, a cash amount determined by reference to the value of the Underlying. Physically settled certificates entitle the holder, upon exercise, to delivery of a defined amount of the Underlying and a cash payment in respect of any fractional entitlement.

Third Party Information

Where information has been sourced from a third party, the Issuer confirms that this information has been accurately reproduced and that as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

CONDITIONS: GENERAL CONDITIONS

The General Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the Product Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these General Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Product Conditions or the applicable Final Terms and, if not so defined, shall be inapplicable. References in these General Conditions to interest and Coupons (and related expressions) shall be ignored in the case of Securities which do not bear interest. References in these General Conditions to the Conditions shall mean these General Conditions and, in relation to any Securities, the Product Conditions applicable to those Securities.

2. STATUS

The Securities constitute unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.

3. EARLY TERMINATION

The Issuer shall have the right to terminate the Securities if it shall have determined in its absolute discretion that its performance thereunder shall have become unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance in good faith by the Issuer with any applicable present or future law, rule, regulation, judgement, order or directive of any governmental, administrative, legislative or judicial authority or power (“**Applicable Law**”). In such circumstances the Issuer will, however, if and to the extent permitted by the Applicable Law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination (ignoring such illegality) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Payment will be made to

the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holder in accordance with General Condition 4.

4. NOTICES

- (a) Notices to Holders shall be given by the delivery of the relevant notice to the Clearing Agent(s) with an instruction from the Issuer to the Clearing Agent(s) to communicate such notice to the Holders. The Issuer shall also ensure that notices are duly published, to the extent required, in a manner which complies (i) with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Securities are for the time being listed or in the country in which such Securities have been admitted to trading and (ii) with any relevant legislation. In addition, for Securities listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Issuer shall have the right but (without prejudice to the previous sentence) shall not be obliged to publish notices in electronic form on the internet website of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd (http://www.six-exchange-regulation.com/publications/communiqués/official_notices_en.html) if and so long as the Securities are listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.
- (b) Any such notice issued pursuant to General Condition 4(a) by being delivered to the Clearing Agent(s) will be deemed to have been given on the date of the delivery of such notice to the Clearing Agent(s). Any such notice issued pursuant to General Condition 4(a) by being published will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication (for the avoidance of doubt, such notice having been published by any valid means) or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers.

5. HEDGING DISRUPTION

- (a) Notification. The Issuer shall as soon as reasonably practicable give instructions to the Calculation Agent to notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4(a): (i) if it determines that a Hedging Disruption Event has occurred; and (ii) of the consequence of such Hedging Disruption Event as determined by the Issuer pursuant to General Condition 5(c).
- (b) Hedging Disruption Event. A “**Hedging Disruption Event**” shall occur if the Issuer, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, determines that it is or has become not reasonably practicable or it has otherwise become undesirable, for any reason, for the Issuer or any Hedge Provider wholly or partially to (i) hold, acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of a relevant hedging transaction (a “**Relevant Hedging Transaction**”) or asset it deems

necessary, appropriate or desirable to hedge the Issuer's obligations in respect of the Securities or (ii) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such transaction(s) or asset(s). The reasons for such determination by the Issuer may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (i) the Issuer or any Hedge Provider will, whether directly or indirectly, incur a material increase (as compared with circumstances existing on the Issue Date) in the amount of tax, duty, expense (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit or other adverse effect on its tax position) or fee (other than brokerage commissions) provided that any such materially increased amount that is incurred solely due to the deterioration of the creditworthiness of the Issuer or the Hedge Provider shall not be considered for the purposes of this sub-paragraph (i); or
- (ii) any material illiquidity in the market for, or any mandatory redemption in whole or in part of, the relevant instruments (the "**Disrupted Instrument**") which from time to time are included in the reference asset to which the Securities relate; or
- (iii) a change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law) or the promulgation of, or change in, the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority); or
- (iv) a material decline in the creditworthiness of a party with whom the Issuer has entered into any such Relevant Hedging Transaction; or
- (v) the general unavailability of: (A) market participants who will agree to enter into a Relevant Hedging Transaction; or (B) market participants who will so enter into a Relevant Hedging Transaction on commercially reasonable terms.

In the Conditions:

"Hedge Position" means any purchase, sale, entry into or maintenance of one or more (i) positions or contracts in reference assets to which the Securities relate, securities, options, futures, derivatives or foreign exchange, (ii) securities lending transactions or (iii) other instruments or arrangements (however described) by the Issuer in order to hedge the Issuer's risk of issuing, and performing its obligations with respect to, the Securities; and

"Hedge Provider" includes but is not limited to the Issuer, any associate, subsidiary or affiliate thereof and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland plc and/or any other party(ies) and/or any

special purpose vehicle(s) holding or entering into a Hedge Position in connection with the Issuer's hedging arrangements in respect of the Securities.

- (c) Consequences. The Issuer, in the event of a Hedging Disruption Event, may determine to:
- (i) terminate the Securities. In such circumstances the Issuer will, however, if and to the extent permitted by the Applicable Law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable), any such amount to be paid under this General Condition shall not be less than the present value of such minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holder in accordance with General Condition 4;
 - (ii) make an adjustment in good faith to the relevant reference asset by removing the Disrupted Instrument at its fair market value (which may be zero). Upon any such removal the Issuer may: (A) hold any notional proceeds (if any) arising as a consequence thereof and adjust the terms of payment and/or delivery in respect of the Securities; or (B) notionally reinvest such proceeds in other reference asset(s) if so permitted under the Conditions (including the reference asset(s) to which the Securities relate);
 - (iii) make any other adjustment to the Conditions as it considers appropriate in order to maintain the theoretical value of the Securities after adjusting for the relevant Hedging Disruption Event. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date, any such adjustment will in no way affect the Issuer's obligations to make payment to the Holders not less than the minimum

assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons on the relevant Settlement Date or Maturity Date, or Interest Payment Date, as applicable.

- (d) The Issuer may also make adjustments to the Conditions if it determines that an event has occurred which, whilst not a Hedging Disruption Event or other disruption event as specified in Product Condition 4, is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's Hedge Position. Where the Issuer makes adjustments to the Conditions pursuant to this General Condition 5(d), the Issuer shall notify the Holders thereof and shall offer to purchase from Holders for a period of not less than 10 days any Securities held by them at their fair market value (as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner and taking into account the proposed adjustment) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements.

6. PURCHASES, FURTHER ISSUES BY THE ISSUER AND PRESCRIPTION

- (a) Purchases. The Issuer or any affiliate may purchase Securities at any price in the open market or by tender or private treaty. Any Securities so purchased may be held, surrendered for cancellation or reissued or resold, and Securities so reissued or resold shall for all purposes be deemed to form part of the original series of Securities.
- (b) Further Issues. The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Holders or any of them to create and issue further securities so as to be consolidated with and form a single series with the Securities.
- (c) Prescription. Any Security or Coupon which is capable of presentation and is not so presented by its due date for presentation shall be void, and its value reduced to zero, if not so presented within five years of such due date. For the avoidance of doubt, any Securities which are subject to provisions relating to their exercise shall be void, and their value shall be zero, if not exercised in accordance with their provisions.

7. DETERMINATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

- (a) Determinations.
 - (i) In making any determinations and calculations under these Conditions, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. All such determinations and calculations by the Issuer and the Calculation Agent shall, in the absence of manifest error, be final and binding.
 - (ii) Whilst it is intended that the Issuer and the Calculation Agent will employ the methodology described in the Conditions to make determinations in respect

of the Securities, no assurance can be given that market, regulatory, judicial or fiscal circumstances or, without limitation, any other circumstances will not arise that would necessitate a modification or change in such methodology in order that the Securities replicate as closely as possible investments in the assets underlying the Securities and its components. The Issuer and the Calculation Agent may make any such modification or change to such methodology that it considers necessary to reflect such circumstances.

- (iii) Calculations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in respect of the Securities shall be made on the days specified herein; however, notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else contained in these Conditions, should the Issuer or the Calculation Agent determine that in order to give effect to the methodology described in these Conditions it is necessary to make calculations on a day or days other than that specified, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to make such calculations on such calendar day or days as it shall determine.
 - (iv) Due to timing considerations, process requirements and other matters that would, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent, be relevant in relation to the implementation of asset allocation models, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent may need to make appropriate adjustments to the methodology set out in the terms and conditions as it considers necessary in order to reflect the timing and amounts that would be applicable were the Issuer or the Calculation Agent physically implementing the methodology set out in the Securities.
- (b) Modifications. The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders or any of them, modify any provision of the Conditions which is: (i) of a formal, minor or technical nature; (ii) made to correct a manifest error; or (iii) in its absolute discretion, not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders. Notice of any such modification will be given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 but failure to give, or non-receipt of, such notice will not affect the validity of any such modification.

8. SUBSTITUTION

- (a) Substitution of Issuer. The Issuer may at any time without the consent of the Holders substitute for itself as issuer of the Securities with regard to any and all rights, obligations and liabilities under and in connection with the Securities:

- (A) The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, registered in Scotland under No. 90312, with its registered office at 36 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YB, (“**RBS plc**” or the “**Substitute**”) subject to the Issuer having given at least 30 days’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (B) any entity other than RBS plc (also, the “**Substitute**”), subject to:
- either (x):
- (i) the Issuer having given at least 30 days’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
 - (ii) the Issuer or RBS plc having issued a legal, valid and binding guarantee of the obligations and liabilities of the Substitute under the Securities for the benefit of each and any of the Holders;
- or (y):
- (i) the Issuer having given at least three months’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
 - (ii) each Holder, from (and including) the date of such notice, to (and including) the date of such substitution, being entitled to terminate the Securities held by such Holder without any notice period in which event the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, pay to such Holder with respect to each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by the Issuer as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide for a minimum assured return of principal or a minimum assured return of interest or other payments, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable) any such amount to be paid shall not be less than the present value of the minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4;

and in each case subject to all actions, conditions and things required to be taken, fulfilled and done (including the obtaining of any necessary consents) to ensure that the Securities represent legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substitute having been taken, fulfilled and done and being in full force and effect.

In the event of any substitution of the Issuer, any reference in the Conditions to the Issuer shall from such time be construed as a reference to the Substitute.

- (b) Substitution of Office. The Issuer shall have the right upon notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 to change the office through which it is acting and shall specify the date of such change in such notice.

9. TAXATION

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty, withholding or other similar payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Securities. In relation to each Security the relevant Holder shall pay all Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions. All payments or, as the case may be, deliveries in respect of the Securities will be subject in all cases to all applicable fiscal and other laws and regulations (including, where applicable, laws requiring the deduction or withholding for, or on account of, any tax duty or other charge whatsoever). The Holder shall be liable for and/or pay any tax, duty or charge in connection with the ownership of and/or any transfer, payment or delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Holder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable such amount, as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment.

10. REPLACEMENT OF SECURITIES AND COUPONS

If any Security or Coupon is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed it may be replaced at the specified office of the Principal Agent (or such other place of which notice shall have been given to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4) upon payment by the claimant of the expenses incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Securities and Coupons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued. This General Condition will not apply to Securities issued in dematerialised form.

11. ADJUSTMENTS FOR EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION

- (a) Redenomination. The Issuer may, without the consent of any Holder, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 elect that, with effect from the Adjustment Date specified in such notice, certain terms of the Securities shall be redenominated in euro. The election will have effect as follows:
- (i) where the Settlement Currency is the National Currency Unit of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, such Settlement Currency shall be deemed to be an amount of euro converted from the original Settlement Currency into euro at the Established Rate, subject to such provisions (if any) as to rounding as the Issuer may decide and as may be specified in the notice, and after the Adjustment Date, all payments in respect of the Securities will be made solely in euro as though references in the Securities to the Settlement Currency were to euro;
 - (ii) where the Conditions contain a rate of exchange or any of the Conditions are expressed in a National Currency Unit (the “**Original Currency**”) of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, such rate of exchange and/or any other terms of the Conditions shall be deemed to be expressed in or, in the case of a rate of exchange, converted for or, as the case may be into, euro at the Established Rate; and
 - (iii) such other changes shall be made to the Conditions as the Issuer may decide to conform them to conventions then applicable to instruments expressed in euro.
- (b) Adjustment to Conditions. The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 make such adjustments to the Conditions as the Issuer may determine to be appropriate to account for the effect of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty on the Conditions.
- (c) Euro Conversion Costs. Notwithstanding General Condition 11(a) and/or General Condition 11(b), none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall be liable to any Holder or other person for any commissions, costs, losses or expenses in relation to or resulting from the transfer of euro or any currency conversion or rounding effected in connection therewith.

- (d) Definitions Relating to European Economic and Monetary Union. In this General Condition, the following expressions have the meanings set out below.

“**Adjustment Date**” means a date specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Holders pursuant to this Condition which falls on or after the date on which the country of the Original Currency or, as the case may be, the Settlement Currency first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty;

“**Established Rate**” means the rate for the conversion of the Original Currency or, as the case may be, the Settlement Currency (including compliance with rules relating to rounding in accordance with applicable European community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to Article 123 of the Treaty;

“**National Currency Unit**” means the unit of the currency of a country as those units are defined on the day before the country first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty; and

“**Treaty**” means the treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

12. AGENTS

- (a) Principal Agent and Agents. The Issuer reserves the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of any Agent and to appoint further or additional Agents, provided that no termination of appointment of the principal agent (the “**Principal Agent**”) shall become effective until a replacement Principal Agent shall have been appointed and provided that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are listed on any stock exchange or publicly offered in any jurisdiction, there shall be an Agent having a specified office in each country required by the rules and regulation of each such stock exchange and each such jurisdiction and provided further that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are in registered form, there shall be a Registrar and a Transfer Agent (which may be the Registrar), if so specified in the relevant Product Conditions. Notice of any appointment, or termination of appointment, or any change in the specified office, of any Agent will be given to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. Each Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders or any of them. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by an Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Holders.

- (b) Calculation Agent. The Issuer or such other Calculation Agent as specified in the applicable Final Terms, shall undertake the duties of calculation agent (the “**Calculation Agent**” which expression shall include any successor calculation agent or assignee as approved by the Issuer) in respect of the Securities unless the Issuer decides to appoint a successor Calculation Agent in accordance with the provisions below.

The Issuer reserves the right at any time to appoint another institution as the Calculation Agent provided that no termination of appointment of the existing Calculation Agent shall become effective until a replacement Calculation Agent shall have been appointed. Notice of any termination or appointment will be given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

The Calculation Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by the Calculation Agent (whether or not the Issuer) shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Holders.

The Calculation Agent may, with the consent of the Issuer (if it is not the Issuer), delegate any of its obligations and functions to a third party as it deems appropriate.

13. SURRENDER OF UNMATURED COUPONS

Each Security should be presented for redemption, where applicable, together with all unmatured Coupons relating to it. Upon the due date for redemption of any Security, where applicable, all unmatured Coupons relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect thereof. This General Condition will not apply to Securities issued in dematerialised form.

14. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

No rights are conferred on any person under the English Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any Condition. The preceding sentence shall not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

15. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

- (a) The Securities and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Securities, are governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English law.

- (b) The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations) (a “**Dispute**”) arising from or in connection with the Securities).
- (c) Subparagraph (b) is for the benefit of the Holders only. As a result, nothing prevents any Holder from taking proceedings relating to a Dispute (“**Proceedings**”) in any other courts with jurisdiction. To the extent allowed by law, Holders may take concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.
- (d) The Issuer agrees that the courts of England are the most appropriate and convenient courts to settle any Dispute and, accordingly, that it will not argue to the contrary.

16. METHOD OF PAYMENT

For purposes of any payment on a Security (other than an equity certificate issued in registered form), the Clearing Agents may not be United States persons, as defined for United States Federal income tax purposes, and their respective specified offices may not be located in the United States or any of its possessions. No payment on a Security (other than an equity certificate issued in registered form) shall be made by transfer to an account in the United States (including its possessions) or by cheque mailed to an address in the United States (including its possessions).

17. COMMISSIONS, FEES AND REBATES

From time to time, the Issuer may make payments or receive the benefit of payments in relation to the issue of Securities including the following:

- (a) The Issuer may pay to a distributor, sales agent or other intermediary fees or commissions. Such fees or commissions are generally required to be disclosed by distributors, sales agents or intermediaries which, in each case, are EEA investment firms or credit institutions to their clients. Each potential investor in the Securities should satisfy itself as to the amount of any fees or commissions received by intermediaries;
- (b) The Issuer may receive or pay management or other fees from or to third parties. Where such fees are payable, further details of them will be set out in the relevant Final Terms; and
- (c) The Issuer may make payments to or receive the benefit of generic commission, discount and rebate arrangements from Hedge Providers and other transaction counterparties. Such arrangements will be as agreed between the Issuer and the third parties.

The Issuer reserves the right to retain any amounts received without any obligation to pass the benefit of the rebates to investors in the Securities.

18. EVENTS OF DEFAULT

If any one or more of the following events (each an “**Event of Default**”) shall occur and be continuing:

- (a) default is made for more than 30 days in the payment of interest or principal in respect of the Securities; or
- (b) the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Securities and such failure has continued for the period of 60 days next following the service on the Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (c) an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding up of the Issuer (excluding a solvent winding up solely for the purposes of a reconstruction, amalgamation, reorganisation, merger or consolidation in connection with which The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc or any of its subsidiaries assumes the obligations of the Issuer as principal debtor in respect of the Securities),

then any Holder may, by written notice to the Issuer at the specified office of the Principal Agent, effective upon the date of receipt thereof by the Principal Agent, declare the Security held by the holder to be forthwith due and payable whereupon the same shall become forthwith due and payable at the Early Redemption Amount (as defined below), together with accrued interest (if any) to the date of repayment, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind.

“**Early Redemption Amount**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such Event of Default. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable), any such amount to be paid under this General Condition shall not be less than the present value of such minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX AIRBAG CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Airbag Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Capped Price**” means, if applicable, the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s)

as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its

affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Exchange” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the **“Shares”**) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index

on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, if applicable and unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price 1**” means, if applicable, the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price 2**” means, if applicable, the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the index airbag certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and

“Security” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Trading Day” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“Underlying Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“Valuation Time” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the

“**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Valuation Date.
- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due exercise, and subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or

- (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided

above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading in (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
- (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below.
 - (i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent

securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level(s) for the Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change of failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of (i) Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend

on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further certificates, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.
- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX DISCOUNT CERTIFICATES

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“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Capped Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Capped Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Capped Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the **“Shares”**) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Strike Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement

Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the index discount certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy,

Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c) the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of

a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by

the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Valuation Date.
- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security, upon due exercise, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date or, if later, five Business Days following the delivery of the Notice, subject to General Condition 6(c), the Cash Amount or the Capped Amount, as the case may be, specified as such in the definition of Cash Settlement for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount or the Capped Amount, as the case may be.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;

- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount or the Capped Amount;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount or Capped Amount for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the date determined according to Product Condition 3(b).
- (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise), (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security

relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below:
- (1) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (2) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for, or the method of calculating, the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index, then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such

modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (3) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (G) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (i) Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date; (G) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.
- (4) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further certificates, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the

Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO SINGLE STOCK DISCOUNT CERTIFICATES (CASH)

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Capped Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Capped Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Capped Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of

such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of such Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Initial Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the price of the Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the single stock discount certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms

“**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Share**” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Company**” means the share company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the

Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Share or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Valuation Date.
- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security, upon due exercise, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date or, if later, five Business Days following the delivery of the Notice, subject to General Condition 6(c), the Cash Amount or the Capped Amount, as the case may be,

specified as such in the definition of Cash Settlement for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

- (c) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount or the Capped Amount, as the case may be.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.

- (e) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount or the Capped Amount;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;

- (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
 - (g) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount or Capped Amount for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the date determined according to Product Condition 3(b).
 - (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be

deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with

the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise): (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) **Potential Adjustment Events.** Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any

such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:
- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
 - (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an

amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“**De-listing**” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such

Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**” means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO SINGLE STOCK DISCOUNT CERTIFICATES (CASH OR PHYSICAL)

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (a) a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business; and (b) a day on which the Exchange is open for business;

“**Capped Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“Delivery Details” means, where applicable, account details and/or the name and address of any person into whose name evidence of the Share Amount is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing title are to be delivered;

“Disruption Cash Settlement Price” means the fair market value of each Security on such day as shall be selected by the Issuer less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangement, all as determined by the Issuer;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such

jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of such Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the price of the Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the single stock discount certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms

“**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Disruption Event**” means, in the determination of the Issuer, an event beyond the control of the Issuer as a result of which the Issuer cannot make delivery of the Share Amount in accordance with such market method as it decides at the relevant time for delivery of the Share Amount;

“**Share**” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, one Share, multiplied by the Entitlement, if an Entitlement is specified. If the Share Amount is an amount comprising a fraction of any Share, the Holder will receive a Share Amount comprising the nearest whole number (rounded down) of Shares (taking into account that a Holder’s entire holding may be aggregated at the Issuer’s discretion for the purpose of delivering the relevant Share Amounts), and an amount in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate, if applicable, equal to the value of the outstanding undelivered fraction of such Share, as calculated by the Calculation Agent on the basis of the Final Reference Price;

“**Share Company**” means the share company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Share or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the

term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Valuation Date.
- (b) Settlement. Each Security, upon due exercise, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date or, if later, five Business Days following the delivery of the Notice, subject to General Condition 6(c), the Cash Amount or the Share Amount, as the case may be, specified as such in the definition of Settlement for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, the Share Amount or the Disruption Cash Settlement Price, as the case may be.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.

- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;

- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;
- (v) specify the Delivery Details;
- (vi) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vii) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Late Delivery of Notice. If the Notice is delivered to (i) the relevant Clearing Agent or the copy is delivered to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) after the close of business in the place of receipt on the Valuation Date, then the Share Amount will be delivered as soon as practicable after the Settlement Date (the date of delivery in relation to a Share Amount whether on or after the Settlement Date being the “**Delivery Date**”) in the manner provided below. For the avoidance of doubt, no holder of Securities or any other person shall be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, by reason of the Delivery Date for such Securities occurring after the Settlement Date due to such Notice (or the copy thereof) being delivered after close of business on the Valuation Date as provided above. In the event that a Holder does not, in respect of a Security which is to be redeemed by delivery of the Share Amount, deliver or procure delivery of a Notice as set out above prior to the date that is 30 calendar days after the Settlement Date, the Issuer shall have the right but not the obligation to sell the Shares comprised in the Share Amount in respect of such Security in the open market or otherwise at a price determined by the Issuer, in its sole discretion, to be the fair market value of the Shares multiplied by the Entitlement if an Entitlement is specified and shall hold the proceeds (the “**Realised Share Amount**”) for the account of the Holder until presentation of the relevant Notice. Upon payment of the Realised Share Amount as aforesaid, the Issuer’s obligations in respect of such Security shall be discharged.
- (h) Delivery of the Share Amount. Subject as provided in the Conditions, the delivery of the Share Amount shall be made at the risk of the Holder and shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as the Issuer determines to be customary for the Shares or in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to register or procure the registration of the Holder or any other person as the registered shareholder in respect of the Shares comprised in any Share Amount in the register of members of the Share Company.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the date determined according to Product Condition 3(b).

- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Intervening Period. With respect to delivery of the Share Amount, for such period of time after the Valuation Date as the Issuer or any person on behalf of the Issuer shall continue to be the legal owner of the Shares comprising the relevant Share Amount (the “**Intervening Period**”), neither the Issuer nor any such other person shall (i) be under any obligation to deliver or procure delivery to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person any letter, certificate, notice, circular or any other document or payment whatsoever received by that person in its capacity as the holder of such Shares, (ii) be under any obligation to exercise or procure exercise of any or all rights (including voting rights) attaching to such Shares during the Intervening Period or (iii) be under any liability to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person in respect of any loss or damage which the relevant Holder or subsequent beneficial owner or any other person may sustain or suffer as a result, whether directly or indirectly, of the Issuer or any such other person being the legal owner of such Shares during such Intervening Period.

- (m) Dividends. Any dividend in respect of any Share Amount to be delivered will be payable to the party that would receive such dividend according to market practice for a sale of the Shares executed on the Valuation Date and to be delivered in the same manner as such Share Amount. Any such dividend to be paid to a Holder shall be paid to the account specified in the relevant Notice.
- (n) Settlement Disruption. If the Securities are to settle by delivery of the Share Amount and prior to delivery of the Share Amount in respect thereof, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting, then the Settlement Date for such Security shall be postponed to the first following Business Day on which no Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting. For so long as delivery of the Share Amount is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event, then in lieu of delivery of the Share Amount and notwithstanding any other provision hereof the Issuer may elect in its sole and absolute discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Security by payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price not later than on the third Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. Payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred. No Holder or any other person shall be entitled to any payment in respect of a Security in the event of any delay in the delivery of the Share Amount relating thereto due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer.
- (o) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (p) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will

be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (q) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise): (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine

whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:

- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
- (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:

- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of

these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or

- (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an

adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“**De-listing**” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**” means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

(d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO BONUS INDEX CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

- (a) Upper Initial Reference Price x Entitlement (“**Cash Amount 1**”).
- (b) Final Reference Price x Entitlement (“**Cash Amount 2**”).

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Strike Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any

subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Knock-out Bonus Event**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that the level of the Index is at any time on any Trading Day during the Observation Period less than or equal to the Lower Initial Reference Price;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Lower Initial Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Observation Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the bonus index certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Upper Initial Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities

(the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Valuation Date.
- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due exercise, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date or, if later, five Business Days following the delivery of the Notice, subject to General Condition 6(c):
 - (i) Cash Amount 1 if the Final Reference Price is greater than the Lower Initial Reference Price and less than or equal to the Upper Initial Reference Price and at no time has there occurred a Knock-out Bonus Event; and otherwise

- (ii) Cash Amount 2.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;

- (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the date determined pursuant to Product Condition 3(b).
- (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal

Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise), (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below:

- (i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used

in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for, or the method of, calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index, then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (G) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (aa) Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an

extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date; (G) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further certificates, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.
- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO SINGLE STOCK BONUS CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formulae specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses.

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s)

as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its

affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (a) the exercise of

such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Knock-out Bonus Event**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that the price of the Share is at any time on any Trading Day during the Observation Period less than or equal to the Lower Initial Reference Price;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Lower Initial Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Observation Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the single stock bonus certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Share**” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Company**” means the share company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Upper Initial Reference Price**” means, if applicable, the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding

Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to the Share or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by

the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.

- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due exercise, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date or, if later, five Business Days following the delivery of the Notice, subject to General Condition 6(c), the Cash Amount.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.

- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:

- (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the date determined pursuant to Product Condition 3(b).
- (h) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such

Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall

be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
- (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
- (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) **Potential Adjustment Events.** Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:

- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
- (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:
 - (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that

adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or

- (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Determination Date.

“Nationalisation” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“Insolvency” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the

date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX DOUBLE UP CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formulae specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses.

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing exchange rate, if appropriate, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Double Up Stop Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Strike Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the

Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the index double up certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium,

Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is

for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Valuation Date.
- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due exercise, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date or, if later, five Business Days following the delivery of the Notice, subject to General Condition 6(c), either:
 - (i) Cash Amount 1 – if the Final Reference Price is greater than or equal to the Double Up Stop Level; or
 - (ii) Cash Amount 2 – if the Final Reference Price is greater than the Initial Reference Price and lower than the Double Up Stop Level; or
 - (iii) Cash Amount 3 – if the Final Reference Price is lower than or equal to the Initial Reference Price.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or

- (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the date determined pursuant to Product Condition 3(b).
- (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant

exchange or otherwise), (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below:
- (i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for, or the method of, calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index, then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the

Valuation Date, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (G) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (aa) Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date; (G) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further certificates, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.
- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
SINGLE STOCK DOUBLE UP CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formulae specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses.

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Delivery Details**” means, where applicable, account details and/or the name and address of any person into whose name evidence of the Share Amount is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing title are to be delivered;

“Disruption Cash Settlement Price” means the fair market value of each Security on such day as shall be selected by the Issuer less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangement, all as determined by the Issuer;

“Double Up Stop Level” means the amount calculated in accordance with the following formula:

Double Up Stop Level Percentage x Initial Reference Price;

“Double Up Stop Level Percentage” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the

principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (a) the exercise of

such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Initial Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the price of the Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the single stock double up certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms

“**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities series set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Disruption Event**” means, in the determination of the Issuer, an event beyond the control of the Issuer as a result of which the Issuer cannot make delivery of the Share Amount in accordance with such market method as it decides at the relevant time for delivery of the Share Amount;

“**Share**” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4, and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Amount**” means one Share, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. If the Share Amount is an amount comprising a fraction of any Share, the Holder will receive a Share Amount comprising the nearest whole number (rounded down) of Shares (taking into account that a Holder’s entire holding may be aggregated at the Issuer’s discretion for the purpose of delivering the relevant Share Amounts), and an amount in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate, if applicable, equal to the value of the outstanding undelivered fraction of such Share, as calculated by the Calculation Agent on the basis of the Final Reference Price;

“**Share Company**” means the share company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Share or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the

term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Valuation Date.
- (b) Settlement. Each Security, upon due exercise and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date or, if later, five Business Days following the delivery of the Notice, subject to General Condition 6(c), either:
 - (i) Cash Amount 1, if the Final Reference Price is greater than or equal to the Double Up Stop Level; or
 - (ii) Cash Amount 2, if the Final Reference Price is greater than the Initial Reference Price and less than the Double Up Stop Level; or
 - (iii) Share Amount, if the Final Reference Price is less than or equal to the Initial Reference Price.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Share Amount or the Disruption Cash Settlement Price. The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a "Notice") to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) specify the Delivery Details;
- (vi) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or

- (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vii) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Late Delivery of Notice. If the Notice is delivered (i) to the relevant Clearing Agent or the copy is delivered to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) after the close of business in the place of receipt on the Exercise Date, then the Share Amount will be delivered as soon as practicable after the Settlement Date (the date of delivery in relation to a Share Amount whether on or after the Settlement Date being the “**Delivery Date**”) in the manner provided below. For the avoidance of doubt, no holder of Securities or any other person shall be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, by reason of the Delivery Date for such Securities occurring after the Settlement Date due to such Notice (or the copy thereof) being delivered after close of business on the Exercise Date as provided above. In the event that a Holder does not, in respect of a Security which is to be redeemed by delivery of the Share Amount, deliver or procure delivery of a Notice as set out above prior to the date that is 30 calendar days after the Settlement Date, the Issuer shall have the right but not the obligation to sell the Shares comprised in the Share Amount in respect of such Security in the open market or otherwise at a price determined by the Issuer, in its sole discretion, to be the fair market value of the Shares and shall hold the proceeds (the “**Realised Share Amount**”) for the account of the Holder until presentation of the relevant Notice. Upon payment of the Realised Share Amount as aforesaid, the Issuer’s obligations in respect of such Security shall be discharged.
- (h) Delivery of the Share Amount. Subject as provided in the Conditions, the delivery of the Share Amount shall be made at the risk of the Holder and shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as the Issuer determines to be customary for the Shares or in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to register or procure the registration of the Holder or any other person as the registered shareholder in respect of the Shares comprised in any Share Amount in the register of members of the Share Company.

- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Intervening Period. With respect to delivery of the Share Amount, for such period of time after the Exercise Date as the Issuer or any person on behalf of the Issuer shall continue to be the legal owner of the Shares comprising the relevant Share Amount (the “**Intervening Period**”), neither the Issuer nor any such other person shall (i) be under any obligation to deliver or procure delivery to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person any letter, certificate, notice, circular or any other document or payment whatsoever received by that person in its capacity as the holder of such Shares, (ii) be under any obligation to exercise or procure exercise of any or all rights (including voting rights) attaching to such Shares during the Intervening Period or (iii) be under any liability to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person in respect of any

loss or damage which the relevant Holder or subsequent beneficial owner or any other person may sustain or suffer as a result, whether directly or indirectly, of the Issuer or any such other person being the legal owner of such Shares during such Intervening Period.

- (m) Dividends. Any dividend in respect of any Share Amount to be delivered will be payable to the party that would receive such dividend according to market practice for a sale of the Shares executed on the Exercise Date and to be delivered in the same manner as such Share Amount. Any such dividend to be paid to a Holder shall be paid to the account specified in the relevant Notice.
- (n) Settlement Disruption. If the Securities are to settle by delivery of the Share Amount and prior to delivery of the Share Amount in respect thereof, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting, then the Settlement Date for such Security shall be postponed to the first following Business Day on which no Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting. For so long as delivery of the Share Amount is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event, then in lieu of delivery of the Share Amount and notwithstanding any other provision hereof the Issuer may elect in its sole and absolute discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Security by payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price not later than on the third Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. Payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred. No Holder or any other person shall be entitled to any payment in respect of a Security in the event of any delay in the delivery of the Share Amount relating thereto due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer.
- (o) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (p) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (q) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
- (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
- (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or

- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
 - (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the

Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:
- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
 - (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
 - (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a

corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares of such Share Company; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of

the Share Company to the offeror), in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Determination Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX BASKET DOUBLE UP CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formulae specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses.

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing exchange rate, if appropriate, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“Double Up Stop Level” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency) equal to the sum of, in respect of each Index, the Index Final Closing Price divided by Index Initial Closing Price and then multiplied by its Weight, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Index” means each index specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Index Closing Price” means, in respect of each Index and any day, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Strike Currency) equal to the level of such Index at the Valuation Time on such day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such day having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Index Final Closing Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Index, the Index Closing Price on the Valuation Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Index Initial Closing Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Index, the Index Closing Price on the Pricing Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the

relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the index basket double up certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Strike Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Trading Day” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the

original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means in respect of each Index, the Weight specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”).

Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.

- (b) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due exercise, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date or, if later, five Business Days following the delivery of the Notice, subject to General Condition 6(c), the Cash Amount.
- (c) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;

- (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
 - (g) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the date determined pursuant to Product Condition 3(b).
 - (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be

deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with

the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise), (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) **Adjustments to Index.** The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below:

- (i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the **“Successor Sponsor”**) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a

successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for, or the method of, calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index, then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (G) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (aa) Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the

prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date; (G) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further certificates, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.
- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
STOCK BASKET DOUBLE UP CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and if Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“Cash Amount” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formulae specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses.

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Delivery Details” means, if Physical Settlement is specified as being **“Applicable”** in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, where applicable, account details and/or the name and address of any person into whose name evidence of the Share Amount is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing title are to be delivered;

“Disruption Cash Settlement Price” means, if Physical Settlement is specified as being **“Applicable”** in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the fair market value of each Security on such day as shall be selected by the Issuer less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangement, all as determined by the Issuer;

“Double Up Stop Level” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any

such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the

Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency) equal to the sum of, in respect of each Share, the Share Final Closing Price divided by Share Initial Closing Price and then multiplied by its Weight, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Initial Reference Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined

by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the stock basket double up certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities series set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Disruption Event**” means, if Physical Settlement is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in the determination of the Issuer, an event beyond the control of the Issuer as a result of which the Issuer cannot make delivery of the Share Amount in accordance with such market method as it decides at the relevant time for delivery of the Share Amount;

“**Share**” means each share specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4, and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Amount**” means, if Physical Settlement is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the number of Shares specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. If the Share Amount is an amount comprising a fraction of any Share, the Holder will receive a Share Amount comprising the nearest whole number (rounded down) of Shares (taking into account that a Holder’s entire holding may be aggregated at the Issuer’s discretion for the purpose of delivering the relevant Share Amounts), and an amount in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate, if applicable, equal to the value of the outstanding undelivered fraction of such Share, as calculated by the Calculation Agent on the basis of the Share Final Closing Price;

“**Share Closing Price**” means, in respect of each Share and any day, unless otherwise specified in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of such Share at the Valuation Time on such day, as

determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such day having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Share Company**” means the share company specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Share Final Closing Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Share, the Share Closing Price on the Valuation Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Share Initial Closing Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Share, the Share Closing Price on the Pricing Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption

Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Share or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means in respect of each Index, the Weight specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in

accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.

- (b) Settlement. Each Security, upon due exercise and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date or, if later, five Business Days following the delivery of the Notice, subject to General Condition 6(c), either the Cash Amount or, if Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Share Amount.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Share Amount, if applicable or the Disruption Cash Settlement Price, if applicable. The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) in the case of delivery of a Share Amount, include an undertaking to pay all Expenses and an authority to debit the account with the Clearing Agent in respect thereof or, as the case may be, to debit the account referred to in paragraph (iii) above or make a deduction from any cheque;
- (v) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) or Disruption Cash Settlement Price, if applicable for such Securities;

- (vi) specify the Delivery Details;
- (vii) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (viii) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Late Delivery of Notice. If the Notice is delivered to (i) the relevant Clearing Agent or the copy is delivered to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) after the close of business in the place of receipt on the Exercise Date, then the

Share Amount will be delivered as soon as practicable after the Settlement Date (the date of delivery in relation to a Share Amount whether on or after the Settlement Date being the “**Delivery Date**”) in the manner provided below. For the avoidance of doubt, no holder of Securities or any other person shall be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, by reason of the Delivery Date for such Securities occurring after the Settlement Date due to such Notice (or the copy thereof) being delivered after close of business on the Exercise Date as provided above. In the event that a Holder does not, in respect of a Security which is to be redeemed by delivery of the Share Amount, deliver or procure delivery of a Notice as set out above prior to the date that is 30 calendar days after the Settlement Date, the Issuer shall have the right but not the obligation to sell the Shares comprised in the Share Amount in respect of such Security in the open market or otherwise at a price determined by the Issuer, in its sole discretion, to be the fair market value of the Shares and shall hold the proceeds (the “**Realised Share Amount**”) for the account of the Holder until presentation of the relevant Notice. Upon payment of the Realised Share Amount as aforesaid, the Issuer’s obligations in respect of such Security shall be discharged.

- (h) Delivery of the Share Amount. If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject as provided in the Conditions, the delivery of the Share Amount shall be made at the risk of the Holder and shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as the Issuer determines to be customary for the Shares or in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to register or procure the registration of the Holder or any other person as the registered shareholder in respect of the Shares comprised in any Share Amount in the register of members of the Share Company.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be

deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) **Intervening Period.** If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, with respect to delivery of the Share Amount, for such period of time after the Exercise Date as the Issuer or any person on behalf of the Issuer shall continue to be the legal owner of the Shares comprising the relevant Share Amount (the “**Intervening Period**”), neither the Issuer nor any such other person shall (i) be under any obligation to deliver or procure delivery to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person any letter, certificate, notice, circular or any other document or payment whatsoever received by that person in its capacity as the holder of such Shares, (ii) be under any obligation to exercise or procure exercise of any or all rights (including voting rights) attaching to such Shares during the Intervening Period or (iii) be under any liability to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person in respect of any loss or damage which the relevant Holder or subsequent beneficial owner or any other person may sustain or suffer as a result, whether directly or indirectly, of the Issuer or any such other person being the legal owner of such Shares during such Intervening Period.
- (m) **Dividends.** If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any dividend in respect of any Share Amount to be delivered will be payable to the party that would receive such dividend according to market practice for a sale of the Shares executed on the Exercise Date and to be delivered in the same manner as such Share Amount. Any

such dividend to be paid to a Holder shall be paid to the account specified in the relevant Notice.

- (n) **Settlement Disruption.** If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are to settle by delivery of the Share Amount and prior to delivery of the Share Amount in respect thereof, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting, then the Settlement Date for such Security shall be postponed to the first following Business Day on which no Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting. For so long as delivery of the Share Amount is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event, then in lieu of delivery of the Share Amount and notwithstanding any other provision hereof the Issuer may elect in its sole and absolute discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Security by payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price not later than on the third Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. Payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred. No Holder or any other person shall be entitled to any payment in respect of a Security in the event of any delay in the delivery of the Share Amount relating thereto due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer.
- (o) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (p) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or

any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (q) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in

price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

(b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:

(i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and

(ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

(c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the

Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:

- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
- (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and

absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company (other than any such Shares owned or controlled by the offeror), in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Determination Date.

“Nationalisation” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“Insolvency” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INTEREST RATE EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless Basket is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Certificate or Reference Rate specified in the definition of Basket of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the number of calendar days from (but excluding) an Exchange Business Day to (and including) the next following Exchange Business Day;

“**Cash Amount**” means the amount specified as such in, or the amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate**” means, unless Certificate is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the certificate or certificates specified as such in the definition of Basket or in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Current Barrier Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated on each Reset Date (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) If “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; plus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date, or
- (b) If “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; minus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date.

The Current Barrier Level shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Premium**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Current Strike Level” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each Exchange Business Day, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; plus
- (b) Funding Cost.

The Current Strike Level will be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Underlying Currency, 0.005 being rounded upwards. The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Early Termination Amount” means the amount or amounts (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Early Termination Date” means the date or dates (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or if, in respect of any Certificate, any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Certificate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Early Termination Event” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means, in respect of each Certificate, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Business Day” means each day specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Exchange Rate” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent by reference to information published on the Screen Page without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Reference Rate or Certificate as applicable, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Rate or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Funding Cost” means subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Initial Reference Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified as such in, or the amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula

specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 or if, in respect of any Certificate, any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Certificate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“**Prevailing Rate**” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Underlying Currency in the inter-bank market for each Calculation Period, by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“**Reference Banks**” means such number of leading dealers in the London interbank market which ordinarily provide quotes for the Reference Rate, or any other rate requested by the Calculation Agent pursuant to Product Condition 4, as is specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, which Reference Banks shall be selected by the Issuer in its absolute discretion;

“**Reference Rate**” means (i) each rate specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by the Calculation Agent, unless in the determination of the Calculation Agent a Market Disruption Event has occurred, in which case the Reference Rate shall be calculated in accordance with Product Condition 4, or, (ii) in relation to a Certificate, the Reference Rate to which it is linked or any successor to such Reference Rate in accordance with the terms of each Certificate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, and “**Reference Rates**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Certificates are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issue Date and thereafter, the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not an Exchange Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Exchange Business Day;

“Screen Page” means each of the pages specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and **“Screen Pages”** shall be construed accordingly;

“Securities” means each Series of the interest rate express certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Trading Day” means, in respect of a Certificate, any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on all the Exchanges and any

Related Exchanges other than a day on which trading on the Exchanges or any Related Exchanges is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or if, in respect of any Certificate, any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Certificate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the

term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Early Termination Event. Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Early Termination Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following an Early Termination Event, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following an Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Early Termination Amount, following an Early Termination Event.
- (e) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant

Interest Period, the Interest Rate and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.

- (f) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from (and including) exercise. No interest shall accrue after the Exercise Date, the Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date in respect of which an Early Termination Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (g) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (h) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount, Early Termination Amount or Interest Amount, if applicable.
- (i) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount or Early Termination Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:

- (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
- (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (j) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (k) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount, the Issuer Call Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (l) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall

be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (m) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (n) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (o) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or

any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (p) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**”, in relation to a Reference Rate, means the situation in which a Reference Rate is not available on the relevant Screen Page, in which case the relevant rate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent, on the basis of quotations for the relevant rate or such other related rate as the Calculation Agent shall in its sole and absolute discretion specify provided by the Reference Banks at the Valuation Time for the relevant Business Day. The Issuer will request the principal London office of each of the Reference Banks to provide a quotation of the relevant rate. The relevant rate will be the arithmetic mean of the quotations, eliminating the highest quotation (or in the event of equality, one of the highest) and the lowest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest) if more than three quotations are provided. If it is not possible to obtain quotations of the relevant rate by at least three of the Reference Banks then the Calculation Agent will determine the relevant Reference Rate at its sole and absolute discretion, which determination may be delayed for up to 180 days following the occurrence of an Emerging Market Disruption Event.

“**Market Disruption Event**”, in relation to a Certificate, means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to

effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (A) in the Certificates on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Certificates are traded; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Certificates on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.
- (b) For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event Adjustments to the Basket. If a De-listing occurs with respect to a Basket Constituent or a Basket Constituent is for any reason cancelled or ceases to exist, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Basket Constituent by a successor basket constituent which has, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact and is linked to the same asset as such Basket Constituent or (B) make such other adjustments to the Conditions as the Calculation Agent sees fit, acting in its absolute discretion. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to this paragraph.
- “**De-listing**” means that a Basket Constituent for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Basket Constituent is listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Basket Constituent is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).
- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the

date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless Basket is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Certificate or Commodity specified in the definition of Basket of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the number of calendar days from (but excluding) an Exchange Business Day to (and including) the next following Exchange Business Day;

“**Cash Amount**” means the amount specified as such in, or an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate

is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate**” means, unless Certificate is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the certificate or certificates specified as such in the definition of Basket or in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Commodity**” means each commodity specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, in relation to a Certificate, the Commodity to which it is linked or any successor to such Commodity in accordance with the terms of each Certificate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, subject to Product Condition 4, and “**Commodities**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Current Barrier Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated on each Reset Date (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; plus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; minus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date.

The Current Barrier Level shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Premium**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Strike Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each Exchange Business Day, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; plus
- (b) Funding Cost.

The Current Strike Level will be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Underlying Currency, 0.005 being rounded upwards. The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Early Termination Amount**” means the amount or amounts (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Early Termination Date**” means the date or dates (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Early Termination Event” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Business Day” means each day specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Exchange Rate” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the relevant Commodity or Certificate as applicable, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the relevant Commodity or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Funding Cost” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by

- (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current ay) divided by 360;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified as such in, or the amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the relevant Commodity or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Underlying Currency in the inter-bank market for each Calculation Period, by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Basket Constituent are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issue Date and thereafter, the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not an Exchange Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Exchange Business Day;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the commodity express certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market

Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the relevant Commodity or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”).

Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.

- (b) Early Termination Event. Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Early Termination Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following an Early Termination Event, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following an Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Early Termination Amount, following an Early Termination Event.
- (e) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (f) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from (and including) exercise. No interest shall accrue after the Exercise Date, the Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date in respect of which an Early Termination Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (g) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following

Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

- (h) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount, Early Termination Amount or Interest Amount, if applicable.
- (i) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount or Early Termination Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;

- (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (j) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
 - (k) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount, the Issuer Call Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
 - (l) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (m) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (n) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (o) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (p) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event”, in relation to a Commodity, means:

- (i) **Price Source Disruption.** The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price of a relevant Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (ii) **Trading Suspension.** The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (iii) **Disappearance of Price.** The failure of trading of a relevant Commodity to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity, on the Exchange; or
- (iv) **Material Change in Formula.** The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the price of a relevant Commodity; or
- (v) **Material Change in Content.** The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content or composition of a relevant Commodity; or
- (vi) **De Minimis Trading.** The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to a relevant Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (vii) **Tax Disruption.** The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, a relevant Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be, and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the

case may be, from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (viii) **Trading Limitation.** The material limitation imposed on trading in a relevant Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (ix) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (x) **Other Events.** Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

“Market Disruption Event”, in relation to a Certificate, means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Certificates on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Certificates are traded; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Certificates on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to the Basket. If a De-listing occurs with respect to a Basket Constituent or a Basket Constituent is for any reason cancelled or ceases to exist, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Basket Constituent by a successor basket constituent which has, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact and is linked to the same asset as such Basket Constituent or (B) make such other adjustments to the Conditions as the Calculation Agent sees fit, acting in its absolute discretion. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to this paragraph.

“**De-listing**” means that a Basket Constituent for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Basket Constituent is listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Basket Constituent is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO EQUITY EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless Basket is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Certificate or Share specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the number of calendar days from (but excluding) an Exchange Business Day to (and including) the next following Exchange Business Day;

“**Cash Amount**” means the amount specified as such in, or an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate

is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate**” means, unless Certificate is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the certificate or certificates specified as such in the definition of Basket or in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Current Barrier Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated on each Reset Date (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; plus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; minus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date.

The Current Barrier Level shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Premium**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Current Spread” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Current Strike Level” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each Exchange Business Day, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; plus
- (b) Funding Cost; and minus
- (c) Notional Dividend Amounts.

The Current Strike Level will be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Underlying Currency, 0.005 being rounded upwards. The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Early Termination Amount” means the amount or amounts (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Early Termination Date” means the date or dates (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Early Termination Event” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Business Day**” means each day specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of

such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the relevant Share or Certificate as applicable, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the relevant Share or Certificate as applicable, (on the Exchange, if applicable) and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including

the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Initial Reference Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified as such in, or the amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the relevant Share or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Notional Dividend Amount” means, if “Notional Dividend Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an

amount as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Share which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional Dividend Period net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty without regard to any tax credits;

“Notional Dividend Period” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each period from (but excluding) the previous Exchange Business Day to (and including) the current Exchange Business Day;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Underlying Currency in the inter-bank market for each Calculation Period, by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Basket Constituent are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issue Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not an Exchange Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Exchange Business Day, or (b) the ex-dividend date when the Notional Dividend Amount is equal to or greater than two per cent. of the current level of the Share, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Securities” means each Series of the equity express certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Share” means the share specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, in relation to a Certificate, the Share to which it is linked or any successor to such Share in accordance with the terms of each Certificate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, subject to Product Condition 4, and **“Shares”** shall be construed accordingly;

“Share Company” means the share company (if any) specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4, and **“Share Companies”** shall be construed accordingly;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium,

Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the relevant Share or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable

law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which

is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Early Termination Event. Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Early Termination Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following an Early Termination Event, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly

completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:

- (i) The Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following an Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Early Termination Amount, following an Early Termination Event.
- (e) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (f) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from (and including) exercise. No interest shall accrue after the Exercise Date, the Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date in respect of which an Early Termination Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (g) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (h) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount, Early Termination Amount or Interest Amount, if applicable.
- (i) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;

- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount or Early Termination Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (j) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (k) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount, the Issuer Call Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (l) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (m) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (n) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any

such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (o) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (p) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**”, in relation to a Basket Constituent, means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or

- (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by a relevant Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Share and, if so, will:
 - (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the relevant Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or

warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the relevant Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by a relevant Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by a relevant Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

(c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to a relevant Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:

- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
- (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be

made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the relevant Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“**De-listing**” in this paragraph (c) means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**” means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is

the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as applicable.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) Adjustments to the Basket. If a De-listing occurs with respect to a Basket Constituent or a Basket Constituent is for any reason cancelled, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Basket Constituent by a successor basket constituent which has in the determination of the Calculation Agent the same or a substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact and is linked to the same commodity as such Basket Constituent or (B) remove the de-listed or cancelled Basket Constituent and allocate the Final Reference Price of such Basket Constituent as of the effective date of the de-listing or cancellation *pro rata* to the remaining Basket Constituents.

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to the foregoing paragraph.

“**De-listing**” in this paragraph (d) means a Basket Constituent for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Basket Constituent is listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Basket Constituent is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

- (e) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of

any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless Basket is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Certificate or Index specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the number of calendar days from (but excluding) an Exchange Business Day to (and including) the next following Exchange Business Day;

“**Cash Amount**” means the amount specified as such in, or an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate

is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate**” means, unless Certificate is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the certificate or certificates specified as such in the definition of Basket or in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Current Barrier Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated on each Reset Date (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; plus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; minus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date.

The Current Barrier Level shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Premium**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Strike Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each Exchange Business Day, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; plus
- (b) Funding Cost; and minus
- (c) Notional Dividend Amounts.

The Current Strike Level will be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Underlying Currency, 0.005 being rounded upwards. The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Early Termination Amount**” means the amount or amounts (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Early Termination Date**” means the date or dates (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Early Termination Event**” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the Shares to compute the relevant Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Business Day**” means each day specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of

such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the relevant Shares or Certificate as applicable, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including

the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means each index specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, in relation to a Certificate, the Index to which it is linked or any successor to such Index in accordance with the terms of each Certificate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, subject to Product Condition 4, and “**Indices**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be

calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified as such in, or the amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Notional Dividend Amount” means, if “Notional Dividend Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

The sum of the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Shares which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional Dividend Period net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant tax treaty without regard to any tax credits; or

- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

The sum of the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Shares which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional Dividend Period without regard to any withholding tax or other deductions multiplied by the prevailing dividend percentage payable under market standard stock borrow agreements, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“Notional Dividend Period” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each period from (but excluding) the previous Exchange Business Day to (and including) the current Exchange Business Day;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Underlying Currency in the inter-bank market for each Calculation Period, by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Basket Constituent are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issue Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not an Exchange Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Exchange Business Day, or (b) the ex-dividend date when the Notional Dividend Amount is equal to or greater than two per cent. of the current level of the Share, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the index express certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Shares**” means, for each Index, the shares or other securities that comprise the Index;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means, in relation to an Index, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules and, in relation to a Certificate, any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the

Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Early Termination Event. Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Early Termination Event will override an

Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.

- (c) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following an Early Termination Event, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following an Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Early Termination Amount, following an Early Termination Event.
- (e) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (f) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from (and including) exercise. No interest shall accrue after the Exercise Date, the Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date in respect of which an Early Termination Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (g) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (h) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any

errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount, Early Termination Amount or Interest Amount, if applicable.

- (i) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount or Early Termination Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons

represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or

- (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (j) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (k) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount, the Issuer Call Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (l) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be

taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (m) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (n) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (o) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (p) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event”, in relation to an Index, means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (i) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index (as determined by the Calculation Agent) if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
- (ii) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

“Market Disruption Event”, in relation to a Certificate, means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Certificates on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Certificates are traded; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Certificates on any Related Exchange if, in

the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or

- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.

- (i) If a relevant Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating a relevant Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish a relevant Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level(s) for the Index on the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in

effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the relevant Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (i) Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related dividend date occurs during the period from (and including) the Issue Date up to (but excluding) the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current

market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further certificates, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the relevant Exchange.

- (c) Adjustments to the Basket. If a De-listing occurs with respect to a Basket Constituent or a Basket Constituent is for any reason cancelled or ceases to exist, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Basket Constituent by a successor basket constituent which has, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact and is linked to the same asset as such Basket Constituent or (B) make such other adjustments to the Conditions as the Calculation Agent sees fit, acting in its absolute discretion. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to this paragraph.

“**De-listing**” means that a Basket Constituent for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Basket Constituent is listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Basket Constituent is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such

determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO CURRENCY EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless Basket is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Certificate or Underlying FX Rate specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the number of calendar days from (but excluding) an Exchange Business Day to (and including) the next following Exchange Business Day;

“**Cash Amount**” means the amount specified as such in, or an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate

is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate**” means, unless Certificate is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the certificate or certificates specified as such in the definition of Basket or in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Current Barrier Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated on each Reset Date (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; plus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; minus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date.

The Current Barrier Level shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Premium**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Current Spread” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Current Strike Level” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each Exchange Business Day, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; plus
- (b) Funding Cost.

The Current Strike Level will be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Underlying Currency, 0.005 being rounded upwards. The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Early Termination Amount” means the amount or amounts (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Early Termination Date” means the date or dates (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or if, in respect of any Certificate, any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Certificate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Early Termination Event” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means, in respect of each Certificate, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Business Day**” means each day specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration,

securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent by reference to information published on the Screen Page without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the bid-price of the Underlying FX Rate or the price of the Certificate, as applicable on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate or the price of the Certificate, as applicable and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any

other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified as such in, or the amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement

Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Underlying Currency in the inter-bank market for each Calculation Period, by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Certificates are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issue Date and thereafter the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if

such day is not an Exchange Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Exchange Business Day;

“**Screen Page**” means each of the pages specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and “**Screen Pages**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the interest rate express certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means, in respect of a Certificate, any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on all the Exchanges and any Related Exchanges other than a day on which trading on the Exchanges or any Related Exchanges is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time and in respect of the Exchange Rate, any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Events, would have been) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Underlying FX Rate**” means each rate specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, in relation to a Certificate, the Underlying FX Rate to which it is linked or any successor to such

Underlying FX Rate in accordance with the terms of each Certificate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, and “**Underlying FX Rates**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate or Certificate, as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with

respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of,

Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Early Termination Event. Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Early Termination Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following an Early Termination Event, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following an Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Early Termination Amount, following an Early Termination Event.
- (e) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.

- (f) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from (and including) exercise. No interest shall accrue after the Exercise Date, the Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date in respect of which an Early Termination Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (g) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (h) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount, Early Termination Amount or Interest Amount, if applicable.
- (i) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount or Early Termination Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:

- (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (j) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
 - (k) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount, the Issuer Call Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
 - (l) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such

Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (m) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (n) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (o) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (p) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**”, in relation to an Underlying FX Rate, means:

- (i) Price Source Disruption. If it becomes impossible to obtain the Underlying FX Rate on the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be, in the inter-bank market; or
- (ii) Governmental Default. If with respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iii) Inconvertibility/non-transferrability. The occurrence of any event which (i) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Underlying FX Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Underlying Currency or (ii) generally

makes it impossible to deliver the Underlying Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Underlying Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Settlement Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (iv) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalization or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Underlying Currency; or
- (v) Illiquidity. Any impossibility in obtaining a firm quote for the Underlying FX Rate or the Settlement Currency for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vi) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Underlying FX Rate.

“**Market Disruption Event**”, in relation to a Certificate, means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Certificates on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Certificates are traded; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Certificates on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or

- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to the Basket. If a De-listing occurs with respect to a Basket Constituent or a Basket Constituent is for any reason cancelled or ceases to exist, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Basket Constituent by a successor basket constituent which has, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact and is linked to the same asset as such Basket Constituent or (B) make such other adjustments to the Conditions as the Calculation Agent sees fit, acting in its absolute discretion. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to this paragraph.

“**De-listing**” means that a Basket Constituent for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Basket Constituent is listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Basket Constituent is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new

factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO REFERENCE ASSET EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless “Basket” is specified as “Not Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Certificate or Reference Asset specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the number of calendar days from (but excluding) an Exchange Business Day to (and including) the next following Exchange Business Day;

“**Cash Amount**” means the amount specified as such in, or an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate

is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate**” means, unless “Certificate” is specified as “Not Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the certificate or certificates specified as such in the definition of Basket or in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Current Barrier Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated on each Reset Date (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; plus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; minus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date.

The Current Barrier Level shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Premium**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Strike Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each Exchange Business Day, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; plus
- (b) Handling Cost; and minus
- (c) if such determination is to be made on a Rollover Date, the corresponding Rollover Spread.

The Current Strike Level will be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Underlying Currency, 0.005 being rounded upwards. The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Early Termination Amount**” means the amount or amounts (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Early Termination Date**” means the date or dates (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset or Certificate, as applicable and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Early Termination Event**” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means unless “Entitlement” is specified as “Not Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Business Day**” means each day specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration,

securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the relevant Certificate or the Reference Asset Price, as applicable on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the relevant Certificate or the Reference Asset Price, as applicable and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Handling Cost” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“Initial Reference Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified as such in, or the amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset or Certificate as applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“Reference Asset” means as of the Issue Date, the Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, in relation to a Certificate the Reference Asset to which it is linked or any successor to such Reference Asset in accordance with the terms of each Certificate and thereafter the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours on the Rollover Date, effect substitution of

the next serially contract month or to the most liquid contract month (the “**Substitute Asset**”) selected by the Issuer. Thereafter the Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“**Reference Asset Price**” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For avoidance of doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the applicable Screen Page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Basket Constituent are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issue Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not an Exchange Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Exchange Business Day or, if a Rollover Date occurs in such month, the Reset Date will be the Exchange Business Day following such Rollover Date;

“**Rollover Date**” means the date as selected by the Issuer prior and specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Rollover Period**” means the period from (and including) a Rollover Date to (but excluding) the next following Rollover Date;

“**Rollover Ratio**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent on a Rollover Date at the Rollover Time by reference to liquidity in the underlying market and in accordance with the formula (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Rollover Spread**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the fair value spread calculated as the price determined by the Issuer for liquidating its related hedging arrangements for the Reference Asset minus the price determined by the Issuer for establishing its related hedging arrangements for the Substitute Asset during the substitution of the Reference Asset for the Substitute Asset by reference to liquidity in the Reference Asset and the Substitute Asset. The Rollover Spread may be a negative number;

“**Rollover Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the reference asset express certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Substitute Asset Price**” means the Reference Asset Price of the reference asset future which will be the Substitute Asset at the next following Rollover Date;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Transaction Charge**” means a percentage rate as determined by the Calculation Agent and specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the relevant Reference Asset or Certificate, as applicable and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the

Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Early Termination Event. Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Early Termination Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following an Early Termination Event, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or

- (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following an Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Early Termination Amount, following an Early Termination Event.
- (e) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (f) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from (and including) exercise. No interest shall accrue after the Exercise Date, the Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date in respect of which an Early Termination Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (g) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (h) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount, Early Termination Amount or Interest Amount, if applicable.
- (i) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;

- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount or Early Termination Amount (if any) for such Securities;
 - (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (j) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.

- (k) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount, the Issuer Call Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (l) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (m) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (n) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (o) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (p) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**”, in relation to a Reference Asset, means:

- (i) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (ii) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (iii) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading of the Reference Asset to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset, on the Exchange; or
- (iv) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or

- (v) **Material Change in Content.** The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Reference Asset; or
- (vi) **De Minimis Trading.** The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (vii) **Tax Disruption.** The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the Reference Asset Price on the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be, and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be, from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (viii) **Trading Limitation.** The material limitation imposed on trading in a relevant the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (ix) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (x) **Other Events.** Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

“Market Disruption Event”, in relation to a Certificate, means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (A) in the Certificates on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Certificates are traded; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Certificates on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to the Basket. If a De-listing occurs with respect to a Basket Constituent or a Basket Constituent is for any reason cancelled or ceases to exist, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Basket Constituent by a successor basket constituent which has, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact and is linked to the same asset as such Basket Constituent or (B) make such other adjustments to the Conditions as the Calculation Agent sees fit, acting in its absolute discretion. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to this paragraph.

“**De-listing**” means that a Basket Constituent for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Basket Constituent is listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Basket Constituent is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such

determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO FUND EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless Basket is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, each Reference Asset specified in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the number of calendar days from (but excluding) an Exchange Business Day to (and including) the next following Exchange Business Day;

“**Cash Amount**” means the amount specified as such in, or an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate

is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Current Barrier Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated on each Reset Date (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent, as:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; plus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date; minus
 - (ii) the Current Premium multiplied by the Current Strike Level on the current Reset Date.

The Current Barrier Level shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Premium**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Strike Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying

Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each Exchange Business Day, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; plus
- (b) Funding Cost; and minus
- (c) Notional Dividend Amounts.

The Current Strike Level will be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Underlying Currency, 0.005 being rounded upwards. The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Early Termination Amount” means the amount or amounts (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Early Termination Date” means the date or dates (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

- (a) An Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (b) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Early Termination Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Early Termination Event” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (a) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (b) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (c) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (d) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (e) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (f) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (g) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (h) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (i) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (j) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Business Day**” means each day specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means the price or NAV specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of the relevant Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Fund” means, if Basket is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms, each fund specified as such in the definition of Basket in the applicable Final Terms or, if Basket is not specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the fund specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Fund Administrator” means, in respect of the Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“Fund Adviser” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“Fund Documents” means, with respect to any Fund or Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Prospectus” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Service Provider” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“Funding Cost” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) if “Express Long” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360; or
- (b) if “Express Short” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
 - (ii) the Current Strike Level on the previous Exchange Business Day; multiplied by
 - (iii) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including

the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Hedging Agreement**” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“**Inclusion Date**” means (i) in respect of the Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the price or NAV specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Least Performing Basket Constituent**” means, if applicable and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Basket Constituent that performed the least well compared to the other Basket Constituents according to the following formula:

Final Reference Price on the Valuation Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be x Initial Reference Price.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Least Performing Basket Constituent may be a Basket Constituent subject to any of the events described or similar to Fund Events.

“**Merger Event**” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Notional Dividend Amount**” means, if “Notional Dividend Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless

specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Fund which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional Dividend Period net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty without regard to any tax credits;

“Notional Dividend Period” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each period from (but excluding) the previous Exchange Business Day to (and including) the current Exchange Business Day;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Portfolio Guidelines” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for deposits in the Underlying Currency in the inter-bank market for each Calculation Period, by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, the circumstances so require;

“Reference Asset” means, if Basket is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the relevant interests in each Fund or if the Fund is an exchange traded fund the relevant interests specified as “Reference Assets” in the definition of Basket in the applicable Final Terms or, if Basket is not specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the relevant interests in each Fund or if the Fund is an exchange traded fund the relevant interests specified as “Reference Assets” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Basket Constituent are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which

the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Party**” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“**Replacement Fund**” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(b)(ii). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf.

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issue Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not an Exchange Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Exchange Business Day, or (b) the ex-dividend date when the Notional Dividend Amount is equal to or greater than two per cent., of the current NAV of the Fund, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the fund express certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent from time to time;

“**Substitution Date**” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund.

“**Trading Day**” means (i) in respect of a Fund, any day on which dealing in the Fund can take place and (ii) in respect of a Fund that is an exchange traded fund any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

- (a) an Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the

Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, as applicable, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

- (b) a Fund Event has occurred on that day in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name

a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred, the Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.

- (b) Early Termination Event: Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (c) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon exercise, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U. S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount. Each Security following an Early Termination Event, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U. S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Early Termination Amount.
- (d) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (e) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including exercise. No interest shall accrue after the Exercise Date or after the Early Termination Date in respect of which an Early Termination Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to an Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event.
- (f) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (g) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Early Termination Amount or Interest Amount, if applicable.
- (h) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount or Early Termination Amount (if any) for such Securities;
 - (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (i) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.

- (j) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Exercise Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (k) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (l) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (m) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (n) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (o) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Fund Events. Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.
 - (i) Global Events:
 - (A) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund’s portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and

above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

- (B) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.
- (C) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or

undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.

- (D) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.
- (E) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors'

rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(a)(i)(E)(a) through 4(a)(i)(E)(f) above.

- (F) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (G) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (H) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
- (I) In respect of any Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such

Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.

- (J) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Reference Assets held by them.
 - (K) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
 - (L) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.
- (ii) NAV/Price and Reporting:
- (A) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out

in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Reference Assets on the Exchange.

- (B) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.
- (C) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefore set out in such documents.
- (D) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.
- (E) (i) In respect of any Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation

Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Reference Assets).

(iii) Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Reference Assets occurs:

- (A) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (B) a portion of each Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of "side-pocket" which affects the Reference Assets;

- (C) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
 - (D) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund; or
- (iv) Trading and Fees:
- (A) In respect of the Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Reference Assets as of such date).
 - (B) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.
 - (C) The frequency at which Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
 - (D) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Reference Assets or is entitled to a Notional Dividend Amount and:

(I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or Notional Dividend Amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or

(II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or the Notional Dividend Amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any Notional Dividend Amount.

(v) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:

(A) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.

(B) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.

(C) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.

(D) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment

of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Reference Assets.

- (vi) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in subparagraphs (i) to (v) above.
- (b) Consequences of a Fund Event. In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a “**Permitted Action**”):
 - (i) (A) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (B) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
 - (ii) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (A) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (B) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (C) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or
 - (iii) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
 - (iv) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (A) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the

Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (B) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (A) or (B) of this clause 4(b)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (C) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (A), (B) or (C), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(b), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

(c) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:

- (i) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or

estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.

- (ii) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
- (iii) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.
- (d) The Issuer shall give notice in accordance with General Condition 4 of any calculation or determination made by it or the Calculation Agent pursuant to this Product Condition 4 as soon as practicable after it has been made. The Issuer shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such calculations and determinations.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX AND INFLATION INDEX EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless Basket is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means the amount specified as such in, or an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Early Termination Amount**” means the amount or amounts (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Early Termination Date**” means the date or dates (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Early Termination Event**” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared

moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means in respect of each Index the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares or other securities that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the relevant Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means each index specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4, and “**Indices**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Index Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market

conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Index Initial Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Inflation Index” means each inflation index specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and **“Inflation Indices”** shall be construed accordingly;

“Inflation Index Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Inflation Index for the Valuation Month, published by the Index Sponsor, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction. Any revision or amendment to the level of the Inflation Index after the initial publication thereof shall be disregarded for the purposes of determining the relevant level unless the Inflation Index is re-based as a result of such revision or amendment, in which case the level of the Inflation Index shall be subject to such amendments as the Calculation Agent, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, considers appropriate to preserve the economic features of the Securities. If, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined (and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing), the level of the Inflation Index shall be a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Inflation Index for the relevant Valuation Month having regard to the last published level of the Inflation Index and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index or Inflation Index, as applicable and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index or Inflation Index, as applicable on a regular

basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified as such in, or the amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less

Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Months” means the number of months specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the index and inflation index express certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Trading Day” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“Underlying Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Valuation Month” means each month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred with respect to such month in which case that Valuation Month shall be the first succeeding calendar month for which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Months immediately following the original month which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Month. In that case (a) the last month of the Relevant Number of Months shall be deemed to be the Valuation Month (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the level of the Inflation Index having

regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last published level of the Inflation Index and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means, in respect of an Index, the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the relevant Index or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i)

dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Early Termination Event. Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Early Termination Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.

- (c) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following an Early Termination Event, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following an Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Early Termination Amount, following an Early Termination Event.
- (e) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (f) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from (and including) exercise. No interest shall accrue after the Exercise Date, the Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date in respect of which an Early Termination Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (g) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (h) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount, Early Termination Amount or Interest Amount, if applicable.

- (i) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount or Early Termination Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not

formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or

- (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (j) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (k) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount, the Issuer Call Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (l) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered (i) to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (m) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (n) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (o) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (p) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**”, in relation to an Index, means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official

close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (i) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
- (ii) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

“Market Disruption Event”, in relation to an Inflation Index, means the Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce the level of the Inflation Index.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.
 - (i) If a relevant Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the **“Successor Sponsor”**) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating a relevant Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish a relevant Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level(s) for the Index on the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the relevant Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (i) Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to

existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related dividend date occurs during the period from (and including) the Issue Date up to (but excluding) the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further certificates, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the relevant Exchange.
- (c) Adjustments to the Inflation Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2) or (3) below.
 - (i) If the Inflation Index is (A) not calculated and announced in its usual way but is calculated and published in a different way but in a way acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor inflation index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the

relevant Inflation Index, then (in either case) the relevant Inflation Index will be deemed to be the Inflation Index so calculated and announced by that successor inflation index, as the case may be.

- (ii) If (A) on or prior to any calculation of the level of the Inflation Index there is a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Inflation Index or the Index Sponsor, in any other way, materially modifies the Inflation Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Inflation Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events) then the Calculation Agent shall (a) determine the Inflation Index level using, in lieu of a published level for the Inflation Index, the level for the Inflation Index as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner or, (b) shall deem such modified Inflation Index to be the Inflation Index so calculated and announced or (c) shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (iii) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the relevant exchange.
- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO EQUITY CERTIFICATES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on the Definitive Securities or attached to the Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Market Disruption Event**” if applicable, shall have the meaning specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Applicable Taxes and Costs**” means, for the purpose of calculating any Dividend Amount, an amount as the Issuer deems to be appropriate to reflect any tax deducted or payable by the Hedge Holder in respect of the relevant cash dividend or other cash distribution included within the computation of such Dividend Amount and any costs and expenses incurred by the Hedge Holder in relation to the receipt of the relevant cash dividend or other cash distribution included within the computation of such Dividend Amount;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business and, in addition, if Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day on which the Exchange is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms,

less Expenses, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Delivery Details**” means, if Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, where applicable, account details and/or name and address of any person into whose name evidence of the Share Amount is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing title are to be delivered;

“**Disruption Cash Settlement Price**” means, if Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the fair market value of each Security on such day as shall be selected by the Issuer less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangement, all as determined by the Issuer;

“**Distribution Compliance Period**” means, if the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period expiring 40 days after completion of the distribution of the Securities, in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act;

“**Dividend Amount**” means, in respect of each Security, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be equal to the sum of the net cash dividends or other cash distributions which are paid in respect of one Share, less any Applicable Taxes and Costs, where the Record Date in respect of such dividend or distribution falls on a date during the period from and including the Issue Date to but excluding the Exercise Date (save that where a Record Date falls on or after the Exercise Date, the Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion, determine that such Record Date shall be a qualifying Record Date for the purposes of calculating the Dividend Amount), multiplied by the Entitlement and converted, where applicable, into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate on or around the date of receipt of such Dividend Amount by the Hedge Holder, as determined by the Calculation Agent. For the avoidance of doubt, each Dividend Amount shall be construed as a separate amount in relation to each such cash dividend or other cash distribution;

“**Early Termination Amount**” means the amount or amounts (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Early Termination Date**” means the date or dates specified in a notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4;

“**Early Termination Event**” means the event or events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Underlying Currency is not the same as the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, save that if Exercise Date Extension Option is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion, by giving the notice specified in the definition of Exercise Date Extension Option in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, extend the Exercise Date to a date specified in such notice, and such date will be deemed to be the Exercise Date;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Expiration Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms provided that if the Issuer shall have discharged all its obligations in respect of the Securities on a date (the “**End Date**”) prior to such date, then the Expiration Date shall be deemed to be the End Date;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the weighted average price per Share of the sale of a number of Shares equal to the number of Securities outstanding on the Valuation Date (the “**Parcel**”) where the Parcel is sold on the Exchange and at such times on the Valuation Date as the

Hedge Holder (on behalf of the Issuer) in its sole and absolute judgement determines (converted, where applicable, into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate on the Valuation Date, less Expenses). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a Market Disruption Event or, where an FX Market Disruption Event is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an FX Market Disruption Event occurs on the Valuation Date, the Issuer shall have sole discretion to (i) procure that the Hedge Holder does not sell on the Exchange all or any of the Parcel on the Valuation Date and those Shares comprising the Parcel not sold on the Valuation Date shall be sold by the Hedge Holder on the Exchange as soon thereafter as the Issuer determines in its reasonable judgement, which determination shall be conclusive and (ii) procure that, where applicable, the Hedge Holder converts the weighted average Parcel price less Expenses using the prevailing Exchange Rate on the Valuation Date and/or the Exchange Rate as soon thereafter as the Issuer determines in its reasonable judgement, which determination shall be conclusive. In the event that the sale of all Shares comprising the Parcel is not completed within the period specified as the Final Reference Price Period in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Final Reference Price shall be deemed to be the product of (a) the weighted average price per Share of the Share(s) sold and (b) the number of Share(s) sold, such product divided by the total number of Shares in the Parcel (converted, where applicable, into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate as the Issuer determines in its reasonable judgement, which determination shall be conclusive, less Expenses);

“Force Majeure Event” means an event or events in the jurisdiction in which the Exchange is located that are outside the reasonable control of the Issuer or any of its affiliates including, but not limited to, the failure of telecommunications or computer facilities, industrial disputes, civil unrest, failure of third parties in the jurisdiction in which the Exchange is located to carry out their obligations (provided that such third parties were appointed by the Issuer or any of its affiliates in good faith after taking due care) or the acts of governmental, regulatory or supranational bodies. For the avoidance of doubt, the insolvency of the Hedge Holder shall not constitute a Force Majeure Event;

“Form” means the form specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Hedge Holder” means, as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion, the Issuer or any affiliate of the Issuer which is the holder of record of the Shares at any relevant time;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified as such in, or the amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in, the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 or if, in respect of any Security, any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Certificate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Participation” means the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement

Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**QIBs**” means, if the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, qualified institutional buyers within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act;

“**Registrar**” means, if the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Principal Agent;

“**Record Date**” means the earliest date on which the register of the Share Company shows the holders of Shares who are entitled to the relevant dividend payment;

“**Regulation S**” means Regulation S under the Securities Act;

“**Regulation S Global Security**” means, if the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a Global Security in registered form sold in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are traded;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Rule 144A**” means, if the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, Rule 144A under the Securities Act;

“**Rule 144A Global Security**” means, if the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a Global Security in registered form sold in a private transaction to a QIB in accordance with the requirements of Rule 144A;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the equity certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Act**” means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Disruption Event**” means, if Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an event

determined by the Issuer to be beyond the control of the Issuer as a result of which the Issuer cannot make delivery of the Share Amount in accordance with such market method as it decides at the relevant time for delivery of the relevant Share Amount;

“**Share**” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4, and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Amount**” means, if Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, one Share, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, multiplied by the Entitlement. If the Share Amount is an amount comprising a fraction of any Share, the Holders will receive a Share Amount comprising the nearest whole number (rounded down) of Shares (taking into account that a Holder’s entire holding may be aggregated at the Issuer’s discretion for the purpose of delivering the relevant Share Amount) and an amount in the Settlement Currency (using, where applicable, the Exchange Rate) equal to the value of the outstanding undelivered fraction of Share, as calculated by the Calculation Agent on the basis of the Final Reference Price;

“**Share Company**” means the share company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Transfer Agent**” means, if the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Registrar;

“**Transfer Certificate**” means, if the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the written certification in the form available for collection from the specified office of any Transfer Agent;

“**Transfer Documents**” means, if the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Transfer Certificate, which a Holder desiring to transfer an interest in a Regulation S Global Security or a Rule 144A Global Security, or any beneficial interest therein, may, in certain circumstances, be required to submit or to cause the proposed transferee thereof to submit to any Transfer Agent;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**U.S. person**” has the meaning set out in Product Condition 3(g)(vii); and

“**Valuation Date**” means the Exercise Date or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

If the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, then the Securities will be represented by a global security in registered form (a “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent (and be registered in the name of a common nominee of the Clearing Agent) and will be transferable only in accordance with the provisions of Product Condition 5, applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred.

If the Form is specified as Global Bearer in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, then the Securities will be represented by a global security in bearer form (also a “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred.

Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the registered holder (if the Form is specified as Global Registered in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) or the bearer (if the Form is specified as Global Bearer in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Global Security.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.

- (b) Cash Settlement. If Cash Settled Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security upon due Exercise, subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership (save that, in the case of Regulation S Securities, such certification will only be required during the Distribution Compliance Period), entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (c) Issuer Call. If Issuer Call is specified as being Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date. Each Security upon an Issuer Call entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Issuer Call Date the Issuer Call Cash Amount.
- (d) Early Termination Event. If an Early Termination is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 where such notice shall specify the Early Termination Date. An Early Termination Event will override an Issuer Call and/or the automatic Exercise of the Securities under 3(a) above, if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be. Each Security upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event entitles its Holders to receive from the Issuer on the Early Termination Date the Early Termination Amount.
- (e) Dividend Amount. The Holder, subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership (save that, in the case of Regulation S Securities, such certification will only be required during the Distribution Compliance Period), is entitled to receive the Dividend Amount the number of days specified as Dividend Amount Days in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms following the receipt by the Issuer or the Hedge Holder of the dividend and/or cash distribution to which it relates and the person entitled to receive such Dividend Amount shall be the person who is shown in the records of the Clearing Agent as the beneficial holder of such Security as represented by the Global Security on the Record Date for the relevant dividend or cash distribution; *provided that* in no event shall either the Issuer or the Hedge Holder be obligated (a) to take any action whatsoever in pursuit of payment of any dividend or cash distribution as a result of the Share Company failing to pay any such dividend or cash distribution when due or (b) to make any payment to a Holder in respect of any such dividend received by the Issuer or the Hedge Holder after the Expiration Date;

provided further that if any dividend or cash distribution has not been received by the Hedge Holder by the Expiration Date, all obligations of the Issuer under the Securities in respect thereof shall be discharged and the Issuer shall have no further obligation in respect thereof.

- (f) **Share Settlement.** The Securities may not be physically delivered to a U.S. person (as defined below). If Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if a Holder gives notice to the Issuer before the Exercise Date that it wishes to receive delivery of the Share Amount in lieu of the Cash Amount (“**Share Settlement**”), the Securities of such holder may be redeemed by delivery of the Share Amount in lieu of payment of the Cash Amount and the Issuer shall be required to agree to such request unless the Issuer shall have determined in its sole and absolute discretion that delivery of the Share Amount is or would be impractical, inadvisable, impossible or unduly onerous to the Issuer or is or would be unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance with any applicable present or future law, rule, regulation, judgment, order or directive of any governmental, administrative, legislative or judicial authority or power. The inability or failure, as the case may be, of the Holder to give any relevant certification required or requested by the Issuer or any Clearing Agent in connection with such delivery shall allow the Issuer to redeem the Securities by payment of the Cash Amount and not by delivery of the Share Amount. The Issuer will give notice to the Holder not later than the Settlement Date if, following a notice from the Holder for delivery of the Share Amount, such delivery will not take place for any of the reasons aforementioned. If the Securities of any Holder are to be redeemed by delivery of the Share Amount, then such Holder shall be liable for Expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Issuer in connection with the delivery of the Share Amount to such Holder and no such delivery shall take place until all Expenses have been paid or accounted for to the satisfaction of the Issuer. The Share Amount is deliverable on the Settlement Date.
- (g) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay. Where FX Market Disruption Event is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if a FX Market Disruption Event occurs on or around any day on which any amount is due to be paid hereunder the effect of which makes it, in the sole determination of the Issuer, impossible, impracticable or inadvisable to make the relevant payment, then no payment shall be

made until as soon as practicable thereafter, provided that if such a FX Market Disruption Event is subsisting for the period specified as the Payment Day Period in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, then all obligations of the Issuer in respect of the Securities shall be discharged and the Issuer shall have no further obligations in respect thereof.

- (h) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Dividend Amount, Share Amount or Disruption Cash Settlement Price, as applicable.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any Holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.

- (i) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) if Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, include an undertaking to pay all Expenses and an irrevocable authority to the Clearing Agent to debit a specified account with the Clearing Agent in respect thereof or, as the case may be, to debit the account referred to in paragraph (ii) above;
- (v) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities or, as the case may be, any Disruption Cash Settlement Price and any dividends payable pursuant to Product Condition 3(o);
- (vi) if Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, include the Delivery Details;

- (vii) if the Form is specified as Global Bearer in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (viii) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (j) Late Delivery of Notice. If Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if the Notice is delivered to (i) the relevant Clearing Agent or the copy is delivered to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) after the close of business in the place of receipt on the Exercise Date, then the Share Amount will be delivered as soon as practicable after the Settlement Date (the date of delivery in relation to a

Share Amount, whether on or after the Settlement Date, being for the purposes of the Conditions, the “**Delivery Date**”) in the manner provided below. For the avoidance of doubt, no holder of Securities or any other person shall be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, by reason of the Delivery Date for such Securities occurring after the Settlement Date due to such Notice (or the copy thereof) being delivered after close of business on the Exercise Date as provided above. In the event that a Holder does not, in respect of a Security which is to be redeemed by delivery of the Share Amount, deliver or procure delivery of a Notice as set out above, prior to the date that is 30 calendar days after the Settlement Date, the Issuer shall have the right but not the obligation to sell the Shares comprised in the Share Amount in respect of such Security in the open market or otherwise at a price determined by the Issuer, in its sole discretion, to be the fair market value of the Shares, and shall hold the proceeds (the “**Realised Share Amount**”) for the account of the relevant Holder until presentation of the relevant Notice. Upon payment of the Realised Share Amount as aforesaid, the Issuer’s obligations in respect of such Security shall be discharged. The Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such Realised Share Amount.

- (k) Verification. In respect of any Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (l) Delivery of the Share Amount. If Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and subject as provided in the Conditions, the delivery of the Share Amount shall be made at the risk of the relevant Holder and shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as the Issuer determines to be customary for the Shares or in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to register or procure the registration of any Holder or any other person as the registered shareholder in respect of the Shares comprised in any Share Amount in the register of members of the Share Company. Where an amount equal to the value of the outstanding undelivered fraction of the Shares is payable but the Valuation Date for calculating such amount has been delayed due to a Market Disruption Event, then such amount will be payable on the Settlement Date.
- (m) Settlement. If Cash Settled Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has

been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.

- (n) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether any such Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form or, , which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.
- (o) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (p) **Intervening Period.** If Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, for such period of time after the Exercise Date as the Issuer or any person on behalf of the Issuer shall continue to be the legal owner of the Shares comprising the relevant Share Amount (the “**Intervening Period**”), neither the Issuer nor any other such person shall (i) be under any obligation to deliver or procure delivery to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person any letter, certificate, notice, circular or any other document or payment whatsoever received by that person in its capacity as the holder of such Shares, (ii) be under any obligation to exercise or procure exercise of any or all rights (including voting rights) attaching to such Shares during the Intervening Period or (iii) be under any liability to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person in respect of any loss or damage which the relevant Holder or subsequent beneficial owner or any other

person may sustain or suffer as a result, whether directly or indirectly, of the Issuer or any other such person being the legal owner of such Shares during such Intervening Period.

- (q) Dividends. If Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any dividend in respect of any Share Amount to be delivered will be payable to the party that would receive such dividend according to market practice for a sale of the Shares executed on the Exercise Date and to be delivered in the same manner as such Share Amount. Any such dividend to be paid to a Holder shall be paid to the account specified in the relevant Notice.
- (r) Settlement Disruption. If Physical Delivery Securities is specified as Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if, prior to the delivery in accordance with the Conditions of the Share Amount in respect of any Security, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting, then the Delivery Date for such Security shall be postponed to the first following Business Day on which no Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting. For so long as delivery of any Share Amount is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event, then in lieu of physical settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Security by payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price not later than on the third Business Day following the date that the notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred and of the method of payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price. No Holder or any other person shall be entitled to any payment (including but not limited to interest) in respect of a Security in the event of any delay in the delivery of any Share Amount relating thereto due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer.
- (s) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (t) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (u) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (1) the occurrence or existence at any time on any Trading Day on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Share on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material;

- (2) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
- (3) the inability of the Hedge Holder to unwind its hedge or related trading position relating to the Securities due to illiquidity if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, that illiquidity is material.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
 - (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other

assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:
- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
 - (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be

made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (1) reclassification or change to the Shares or that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (2) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change

to all the outstanding Shares); or (3) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer, a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company, (1) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (2) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) Force Majeure Event. If a Force Majeure Event occurs on any day resulting in the Issuer being unable to fulfil its obligations when such obligations are due, then such obligations shall be postponed until the first immediately succeeding Business Day on which the Force Majeure Event is no longer subsisting provided that if a Force Majeure Event is subsisting for the period specified as the Force Majeure Event Period in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, then all the obligations of the Issuer in respect of the Securities shall be discharged and the Issuer shall have no further obligations in respect thereof.
- (e) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. TRANSFERS

- (a) Transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Securities. Transfers of a Regulation S Global Security or a beneficial interest therein may only be made:
 - (1) prior to the expiry of the applicable Distribution Compliance Period:

to a non-U.S. person who is outside the United States in an offshore transaction in accordance with Regulation S.

(2) after the expiry of the applicable Distribution Compliance Period:

to a person who is outside the United States in an offshore transaction in accordance with Regulation S.

(3) otherwise, at any time, pursuant to the Securities Act or an exemption therefrom, subject to receipt by the Issuer of such satisfactory evidence as the Issuer may reasonably require, which may include an opinion of U.S. counsel, that such transfer is in compliance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States,

and, in all cases, in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction.

(b) In the case of Product Condition 5(a)(1) or Product Condition 5(a)(2) above, such transferee shall take delivery through a Regulation S Global Security; and in the case of a transfer of any Regulation S Global, or any beneficial interest therein, the applicable Transfer Documents, if any, must be duly executed by the proposed transferee or such proposed transferee's duly authorized attorney-in-fact, at least three Business Days prior to the date the transfer of such Securities is desired. Any attempted transfer in which any required Transfer Documents and the proposed transfer was not effected in accordance with the foregoing procedures shall not be valid or binding on the Issuer. In addition, if any Transfer Agent subsequently determines or is subsequently notified by the Issuer that:

(1) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any interest in a Security was consummated on the basis of an incorrect form or certification from the transferee or purported transferee as set forth in the relevant Transfer Documents, or

(2) the relevant Holder was in breach, at the time given, of any representation or agreement set forth in any Transfer Document,

the purported transfer shall be absolutely null and void *ab initio* and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee and the last preceding Holder that was not a such a disqualified transferee shall be restored to all rights as a Holder thereof retroactively to the date of transfer of such interest by such Holder.

6. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Additional Market Disruption Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Certificate, Commodity, FX Rate, Share, Fund (including, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the Reference Asset) or Index, as the case may be, specified as such in the definition of Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and “**Basket Constituents**” means each or all of the Certificates, Commodities, FX Rates, Shares, Funds (including, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the Reference Asset) and Indices as the case may be;

“**Basket Constituent Currency**” means, in relation to each Basket Constituent in the applicable Final Terms, the currency specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Basket Return**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate**” means each certificate specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Certificate Final Reference Price**” (“**CertFRP**”) means in respect of each Certificate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Certificate Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“**Certificate Initial Reference Price**” (“**CertIRP**”) means, in respect of each Certificate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Certificate Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“**Certificate Reference Price**” means in respect of each Certificate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the price of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Certificate on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Certificate on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Certificate Return**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s)

as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Commodity**” means each commodity specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Commodity Final Reference Price**” (“**CFRP**”) means in respect of each Commodity, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Commodity Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“**Commodity Initial Reference Price**” (“**CIRP**”) means, in respect of each Commodity, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Commodity Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“**Commodity Reference Price**” means in respect of each Commodity, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the price of the Commodity at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Commodity on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Commodity Return**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Early Termination Amount**” means the amount or amounts (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Early Termination Date**” means the date or dates (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or if, in respect of any Basket Constituent, any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market

Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (A) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (B) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Early Termination Amount having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(j) shall apply and the Early Termination Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Early Termination Event” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of

any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means, (i) with respect to each Certificate, Commodity, Fund which is an exchange traded fund or Share, the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system and (ii) with respect to each Index, each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “**Index Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means each prevailing rate of exchange between each Basket Constituent Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Form**” means Global;

“**Fund**” means each fund (including exchange traded funds) specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Fund Administrator**” means, in respect of the Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“**Fund Adviser**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“Fund Documents” means, with respect to any Fund or Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4(e) and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Final Reference Price” (“FFRP”) means in respect of each Fund, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Fund Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“Fund Initial Reference Price” (“FIRP”) means, in respect of each Fund, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms the Fund Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“Fund Prospectus” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Reference Price” means in respect of each Fund, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the NAV of such Fund as quoted by the fund manager or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, in each case at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction, or (if in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV (as the case may be) can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of such Fund or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, in each case having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of such Fund or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Fund Return” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Service Provider” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“FX Rate” means each rate specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the Screen Page (if any) or to such other sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time, subject to Product Condition 4;

“FX Rate Final Reference Price” (“FXFRP”) means in respect of each FX Rate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the FX Rate Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“FX Rate Initial Reference Price” (“FXIRP”) means, in respect of each FX Rate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the FX Rate Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“FX Rate Reference Price” means in respect of each FX Rate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the FX Rate at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such rate can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the FX Rate on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported FX Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“FX Rate Return” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Hedging Agreement” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“Inclusion Date” means (i) in respect of the Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“Index” means each index specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Index Final Reference Price” (“IFRP”) means in respect of each Index, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Index Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“Index Initial Reference Price” (“IIRP”) means, in respect of each Index, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Index Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“Index Reference Price” means in respect of each Index, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Index Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Index Return” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (i) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (ii) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, an amount

calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, the date specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Basket Constituent in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event, occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (A) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (B) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Issuer Call Cash Amount having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(j) shall apply and the Issuer Call Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Merger Event” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results

in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, the circumstances so require;

“**Reference Asset**” means the relevant interests in each Fund or if the Fund is an exchange traded fund the relevant interests specified as “Reference Assets” in the definition of Basket in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Related Exchange**” means in respect of each Certificate, Commodity, Share or Index, an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures

contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Certificate, Commodity, Share or Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Party” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“Replacement Fund” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(j)(B). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf.

“Screen Page” means each page specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to any such page which contains the same information, or any other such page reference as the Calculation Agent determines and **“Screen Pages”** shall be construed accordingly;

“Securities” means each Series of multi-asset basket linked certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Share” means each share specified as such in the definition of Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Share Company” means for each Share, the share company specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Share Final Reference Price” (“SFRP”) means in respect of each Share, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Share Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“Share Initial Reference Price” (“SIRP”) means, in respect of each Share, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Share Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“Share Reference Price” means in respect of each Share, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the price determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of such Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Share Return” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Substitution Date” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund.

“Trading Day” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) with respect to each Certificate, Commodity, Fund that is an exchange traded fund or Share, any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event or Fund Event, as applicable, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time, (ii) with respect to a Fund, any day (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been a day) on which trading in the Fund can take place, (iii) with respect to an Index, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules and (v) with respect to an FX Rate, any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Basket Constituent, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the price, level or NAV, as applicable, having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on that day in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(i)(ii) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Valuation Time” means (i) with respect to each Commodity and FX Rate at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms,

(ii) with respect to each Index the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index, (iii) with respect to each Certificate or Share, the official close of trading on the relevant Exchange, (iv) with respect to each Fund (other than those Funds which are exchange traded funds) the time with reference to which the fund manager publishes the NAV or value and (v) with respect to Funds which are exchange traded funds the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant series in the applicable Final Terms. All unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means, for each Basket Constituent, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by

the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities will be deemed to be automatically exercised on the Exercise Date.

- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or Early Termination Event (if applicable), the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Business Day at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Early Termination Event: Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Early Termination Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon Exercise, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount. Each Security following an Early Termination Event, subject to delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Early Termination Amount. Each Security upon termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Issuer Call Cash Amount.
- (e) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (f) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including exercise. No interest shall accrue after the Exercise Date, the Issuer Call Date in respect of an Issuer Call or after the Early Termination Date in respect of which an Early Termination Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event.

- (g) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (h) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount, Early Termination Amount or Interest Amount, if applicable.
- (i) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount or Early Termination Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;

- (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (j) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (i) the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (k) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (l) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to (i) such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of

gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (m) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (n) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (o) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (p) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption in relation to a Commodity. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(a), a “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price for the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (ii) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (iii) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (iv) Material Change in nature of or pricing method. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (v) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content, composition of the Commodity; or
- (vi) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or, a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (vii) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be, and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case

may be, from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (viii) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect thereto on any exchange or principal trading market; or
 - (ix) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.
- (b) Market Disruption in relation to an FX Rate. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(b), a “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) Price Source Disruption. If it becomes impossible to obtain any one or more FX Rates on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be; or
- (ii) Governmental Default. If with respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iii) Inconvertibility/non-transferrability. The occurrence of any event which (i) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in any one or more FX Rates through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of a Basket Constituent Currency or (ii) generally makes it impossible to deliver a Basket Constituent Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of that Basket Constituent Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Settlement Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (iv) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalization or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of a Basket Constituent Currency; or
- (v) Illiquidity. Any impossibility in obtaining a firm quote for any one or more FX Rates or the Settlement Currency for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vi) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of a Basket Constituent Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of that Basket Constituent Currency; or
- (vii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of a Basket Constituent Currency; or
- (viii) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of a Basket Constituent Currency; or
- (ix) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency.

- (c) Market Disruption in relation to a Certificate and a Share. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(c), “Market Disruption Event” means:

- (1) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares or Certificates, as applicable, on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares or Certificates, as applicable, on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (2) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (d) Market Disruption in relation to an Index. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(d), a “**Market Disruption Event**” means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market

participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (1) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
 - (2) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Potential Adjustment Events in relation to a Share. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
- (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (A) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (B) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (aa) such Shares, or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (E) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (F) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (G) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (f) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (1), (2) or (3) below:
- (1) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
 - (2) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and

absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

- (3) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” (in this Product Condition 4(f) only) means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**” (in this Product Condition 4(f) only) means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Determination Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (1) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (2) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

(g) Potential Adjustment Events in relation to an Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.

(1) If any Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the relevant Index, then (in either case) the relevant Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (2) If (A) on or prior to the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating any Index or in any other way materially modifies an Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish any Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the relevant Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the relevant Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the relevant Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the relevant Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (3) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the relevant Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the relevant Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of (i) the Index Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Index Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Index Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Index Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four

quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Index Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Index Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Index Shares; and (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Index Shares.

(4) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

(h) Adjustments to the Basket

If a De-listing occurs with respect to a Fund, Certificate or a Share, as applicable or a Fund, Certificate or Share, as applicable is for any reason cancelled or ceases to exist, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Fund, Certificate or Share, as applicable by a successor fund, certificate or share, as applicable which has in the determination of the Calculation Agent the same or substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact, and is linked to the same asset as such Fund, Certificate or Share, as applicable (B) remove the de-listed or cancelled Fund, Certificate or Share, as applicable and allocate the Fund Final Reference, Certificate Final Reference Price or Share Final Reference Price, as applicable of such Fund, Certificate or Share, as applicable as of the effective date of the de-listing or cancellation, pro rata to the remaining Funds, Certificates or Shares, as applicable or (C) make such other

adjustments to the Conditions as the Calculation Agent sees fit, acting in its absolute discretion.

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to the foregoing paragraph.

“**De-listing**” means, for the purpose of the foregoing paragraph, a Basket Constituent for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which they are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and they are not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

(i) Fund Events.

Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

(A) Global Events:

- (1) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund’s portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or

investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

- (2) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.
- (3) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the

case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.

- (4) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.
- (5) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or

bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(i)(A)(5)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(i)(A)(5)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(i)(A)(5)(a) through 4(i)(A)(5)(f) above.

- (6) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (7) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (8) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business,

assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.

- (9) In respect of any Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (10) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Reference Assets held by them.
- (11) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the

Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).

(12) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.

(B) NAV/Price and Reporting:

(1) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Reference Assets on the Exchange.

(2) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.

(3) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefore set out in such documents.

(4) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on

behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.

- (5) (i) In respect of any Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in

order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Reference Assets).

(C) Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Reference Assets occurs:

- (1) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (2) a portion of each Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of "side-pocket" which affects the Reference Assets;
- (3) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (4) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund; or

(D) Trading and Fees:

- (1) In respect of the Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee,

subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Reference Assets as of such date).

- (2) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.
- (3) The frequency at which Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
- (4) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:
 - (I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus;
or
 - (II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to

redeem Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.

(E) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:

- (1) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.
- (2) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.
- (3) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.
- (4) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Reference Assets.

(F) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in sub-paragraphs (A) to (E) above.

(j) Consequences of a Fund Event.

In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or

the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a **“Permitted Action”**):

- (A) (1) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (2) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
- (B) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (1) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (2) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (3) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or
- (C) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (D) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (1) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (2) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if

it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (1) or (2) of this clause 4(j)(D) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (3) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (1), (2) or (3), a **"Suspension Asset"**).

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(j), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

(k) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:

(A) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding

official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.

- (B) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
- (C) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.

(1) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as

soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

FORM OF FINAL TERMS

DATED []



The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.
(incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam)

[NUMBER] [UNDERLYING] [TYPE OF PRODUCT] [CERTIFICATES]

[INDICATIVE] ISSUE PRICE: [] []

[SECURITIES WITH ROLLOVER FEATURE ADMITTED TO TRADING ON SCOACH SWITZERLAND LTD. AND LISTED ON SIX SWISS EXCHANGE LTD. ONLY:

THESE SECURITIES PROVIDE FOR A DYNAMIC STRUCTURE WITH REGARD TO AN ADJUSTMENT OF THE UNDERLYING] [SPECIFY OTHER]

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”) OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES, AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, EXERCISED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM, OR IN A TRANSACTION NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY

APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS. THE SECURITIES ARE BEING OFFERED AND SOLD ONLY: (I) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES TO PERSONS OTHER THAN U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) IN OFFSHORE TRANSACTIONS THAT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT; AND (II) ONLY WITH RESPECT TO THE EQUITY CERTIFICATES (AS DEFINED HEREIN) IN REGISTERED FORM TO U.S. PERSONS WHO ARE “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS” (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A OF THE SECURITIES ACT). FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES DO NOT CONSTITUTE UNITS OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SWISS FEDERAL ACT ON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES ("CISA") AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF, OR SUPERVISION BY THE SWISS FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY ("FINMA"). HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES ARE EXPOSED TO THE CREDIT RISK OF THE ISSUER.

FINAL TERMS

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the General Conditions and the Product Conditions applicable to each Series of Securities described herein (the “relevant Product Conditions”) as set forth in the Base Prospectus relating to Certificates dated 1 July 2010 (the “Base Prospectus”) as supplemented from time to time which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC) (the “Prospectus Directive”). This document constitutes the Final Terms of each Series of the Securities described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and must be read in conjunction with the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. Full information on the Issuer and each Series of the Securities described herein is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. The Base Prospectus as so supplemented is available for viewing at the office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom and copies may be obtained from the Issuer at that address.

These Final Terms relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the relevant Product Conditions contained in the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. These Final Terms, the relevant Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of each Series of the Securities described herein and will be attached to any Global Security representing each such Series of the Securities. In the event of any inconsistency between these Final Terms and the General Conditions or the relevant Product Conditions, these Final Terms will govern.

In respect of Securities to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Programme, together with any Final Terms, will constitute the listing prospectus pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

The Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets has provided the [names of competent authorities of host Member States] with a certificate of approval attesting that the Base Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.

So far as the Issuer is aware, no person (other than the Issuer in its separate capacities as Issuer and Calculation Agent, see “Risk Factors – Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the Underlying” and “Risk Factors – Actions taken by the Issuer may affect the value of the Securities” in the Base Prospectus) involved in the issue of the Certificates has an interest material to the offer. [NB: Amend as appropriate if there are interests]

Issuer:

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. acting through [its principal office at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands][its London branch at 250

Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA][*other*]

Clearing Agents: [Clearstream Banking AG]
[Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V.
(Euroclear Netherlands)]
[Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as operator of the Euroclear
system]
[Clearstream Banking, société anonyme]
[SIX SIS Ltd.]
[The Depository Trust Company]
[*Other, including address*]

Launch Date: []

Subscription Period: []

As, if and when issued trading: []

Issue Date: []

Listing: [.....][Application has been made by the Issuer
(or on its behalf) for the Securities to be listed on SIX
Swiss Exchange Ltd. and admitted to trading on Scoach
Switzerland Ltd.]

Listing Date: []

Pricing Date: []

Admission to trading: [Application has been made for the Securities to be
admitted to trading on [] with effect from [].] [No
application for admission to trading has been made.][
[Application has been made by the Issuer (or on its
behalf) for the Securities to be listed on SIX Swiss
Exchange Ltd. and admitted to trading on Scoach
Switzerland Ltd., provided that no assurance can be
given that the Securities will be admitted to trading on
Scoach Switzerland Ltd. or listed on SIX Swiss
Exchange Ltd. on the Issue Date or any specific date
thereafter.] [Securities listed on SIX Swiss Exchange
Ltd. may be suspended from trading in accordance with
Article 57 of the SIX Listing Rules or be de-listed from
SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. during the lifetime of the
Securities.]

Announcements to Holders: Delivered to Clearing Agents

Principal Agent: [The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., 250 Bishopsgate,
London EC2M 4AA]

Registrar: [JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., Trinity Towers, 9
Thomas More Street, London E1 9YT, United
Kingdom][*specify other*][None]

Agent(s) [and Transfer Agent(s)]: [ABN AMRO Bank N.V. N.V. MF 2020 Kemelstede 2,
P.O. Box 3200, 4800 DE Breda, The Netherlands]
[Citibank International Plc, Netherlands Branch, Global
Transaction Services, Hoge Mosten 2, 4822 NH Breda,
The Netherlands]

Calculation Agent: The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., 250 Bishopsgate,
London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom

Indication of yield:	Not Applicable
Form of the Securities	[Global Security] [Dematerialised form] [Global Security transformed into Intermediated Securities] (<i>Only applicable to Securities where the Clearing Agent is SIX SIS Ltd</i>) Dematerialised Securities transformed into Intermediated Securities] (<i>Only applicable to Securities where the Clearing Agent is SIX SIS Ltd</i>)
<i>[Securities admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. only:]</i>	<i>[Delete the following sections if Securities will not be admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.]</i>
First Scoach Switzerland Ltd. Trading Day:	[] [Anticipated to be the Issue Date]
Last Scoach Switzerland Ltd. Trading Day:	[] [trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. until official close of trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. on that day]
Minimum Trading Size:	[]
Payment Date:	[Issue Date]
Type of quoting (in case of interest component)	[flat/dirty trading or clean trading][not applicable]
Minimum Exercise	[]
Governing Law	The Securities are subject to English law
Jurisdiction	The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or in connection with the Securities
Swiss Agent	The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland, phone +41 44 285 58 58, fax +41 44 285 56 16
Recognised Representative for the purpose of Article 43 Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd:	The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland, phone +41 44 285 58 58, fax +41 44 285 56 16
Paying Agent	The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. acting through its principal office at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Announcements to Holders / Publications	Any notices or publications to be made to Holders will be made through the online information system of SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd., by publishing on SIX Swiss Exchange's website

http://www.six-exchange-regulation.com/publications/communique/official_notices_en.html.

Issue Size of Series or Number of Securities [].

Interest Ex-Date (in case of interest component) []

Type of quoting (in case of interest component) [flat/dirty trading or clean trading]

INDEX AIRBAG CERTIFICATES

- Series: *[Index] Airbag Certificates Series []*
- Issue Price: []
- Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] [specify]
- Airbag Level: [[]% of the Initial Reference Price] *[specify other]*
- Capped Price: [[]% of the Initial Reference Price][Not Applicable] *[specify other]*
- Cash Amount: [(a) If the Final Reference Price is less than the Airbag Level:

$$\frac{[\text{amount}] + [\text{amount}] \times [\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Airbag Level}]}{\text{Airbag Level}}$$
- (b) If the Final Reference Price is greater than or equal to the Airbag Level but less than or equal to the Initial Reference Price:

$$[\text{amount}];$$
- (c) If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Initial Reference Price but less than or equal to the Initial Reference Price 1:

$$\frac{[\text{amount}] + [\text{amount}] \times [\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Initial Reference Price}]}{\text{Initial Reference Price}}$$
- (d) If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Initial Reference Price 1 but less than or equal to the Initial Reference Price 2:

$$\frac{[\text{amount}] \times [\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Initial Reference Price 1}]}{\text{Initial Reference Price}}$$
- (e) If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Initial Reference Price 2 but less than the Capped Price:

$$\frac{[\text{amount}] + [\text{amount}] \times [\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Initial Reference Price}]}{\text{Initial Reference Price}}$$

$$\frac{[\text{amount}] \times [\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Initial Reference Price 1}]}{\text{Initial Reference Price}}$$

$$\frac{[\text{amount}] + [\text{amount}] \times [\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Initial Reference Price}]}{\text{Initial Reference Price}}$$

$$\frac{[\text{amount}] \times [\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Initial Reference Price 1}]}{\text{Initial Reference Price}}$$

$$\frac{[\text{amount}] \times [\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Initial Reference Price 2}]}{\text{Initial Reference Price}}$$
- (f) If the Final Reference Price is greater than or equal to the Capped

Price:
[amount]] [*specify other*]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Index: [] (Bloomberg Code [])

Initial Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Initial Reference Price 1: [[]% of the Initial Reference Price] [Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Initial Reference Price 2: [[]% of the Initial Reference Price] [Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Pricing Date(s): []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [[Third] Business Day following the Valuation Date] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): []

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Fondscore: []

WKN: []

Valoren: []

Other Securities [] [Symbol:]
Code:

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information []
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Series: *[Index] Airbag Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX DISCOUNT CERTIFICATES

Series:	<i>[Index] Discount Certificates Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Capped Amount:	[Capped Price x Entitlement] <i>[specify other]</i>
Capped Price:	[]
Cash Amount:	[Final Reference Price x Entitlement] <i>[specify other]</i>
Cash Settlement:	[Either[, at the sole option of the Issuer]: (1) the Cash Amount [if the Final Reference Price is less than the Capped Price]; or (2) the Capped Amount [if the Final Reference Price is greater than or equal to the Capped Price]. <i>[specify other]</i>
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Index:	[] (Bloomberg Code [])
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date] <i>[specify other]</i>
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Strike Currency:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.] <i>(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to</i>

whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Fondscod: []

WKN: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

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Series: [Index] Discount Certificates Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

SINGLE STOCK DISCOUNT CERTIFICATES (CASH)

Series:	[Share] Discount Certificates Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Capped Amount:	[Capped Price x Entitlement] [specify other]
Capped Price:	[]
Cash Amount:	[Final Reference Price x Entitlement] [specify other]
Cash Settlement:	[Either[, at the sole option of the Issuer]: (1) the Cash Amount [if the Final Reference Price is less than the Capped Price]; Or (2) the Capped Amount [if the Final Reference Price is greater than or equal to the Capped Price] [specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Event:	[As stated in the Product Condition 1][specify other]
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Initial Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Pricing Date:	[]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date] [specify other]
Share:	The [ordinary] shares of the Share Company (ISIN: [])
Share Company:	[] [(Bloomberg Code:)]
Strike Currency:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General

Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need or a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 or the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []
Common Code: []
Fondscore: []
WKN: [] [Symbol:]
Other Securities Code: []

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: *[Share] Discount Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

SINGLE STOCK DISCOUNT CERTIFICATES (CASH OR PHYSICAL)

Series:	<i>[Share] Discount Certificates Series</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Capped Price:	[]
Cash Amount:	[Final Reference Price x Entitlement] <i>[specify other]</i>
Emerging Market Disruption Event:	[As stated in the Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Initial Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Pricing Date:	[]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement:	[Either[, at the sole option of the Issuer]: (1) the Cash Amount [if the Final Reference Price is greater than or equity to the Capped Price]; or (2) the Share Amount [if the Final Reference Price is less than the Capped Price] <i>[specify other]</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date] <i>[specify other]</i>
Share:	The [ordinary] shares of the Share Company (ISIN: [])
Share Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Share Company:	[] [(Bloomberg Code:)]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Strike Currency:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product

Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []
Common Code: []
Fondscore: []
WKN: []
Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: *[Share] Discount Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

BONUS INDEX CERTIFICATES

Series: *Bonus [Index] Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: []

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Index: [] (Bloomberg Code [])

Initial Reference Price: []

Knock-out Bonus Event: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Lower Initial Reference Price: []

Observation Period: []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date] *[specify other]*

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Strike Currency: []

Upper Initial Reference Price: []

Valuation Date(s): []

Amendments to
General Conditions
and/or Product
Conditions:

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Common Code: []
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WKN: []
Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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the Underlying and its
volatility can be
obtained:

Series: *Bonus [Index] Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

SINGLE STOCK BONUS CERTIFICATES

Series: *Bonus [Share] Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] [specify]

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Cash Amount: []

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Entitlement: []

Exchange: []

Exercise Date: []

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Initial Reference Price: []

Knock-out Bonus Event: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Lower Initial Reference Price: []

Observation Period: []

Pricing Date(s): []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date] [*specify other*]

Share: [] Bloomberg Code: []; ISIN: []

Share Company: []

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Strike Currency: []

Upper Initial Reference Price: [] [Not Applicable]

Valuation Date(s): []

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Conditions and/or
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Series: [Single Stock] Bonus Certificates Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX DOUBLE UP CERTIFICATES

Series: *[Index] Double Up Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Business Day:

Cash Amount: [(a) [amount] + [amount] x []% x [(Double Up Stop Level / Initial Reference Price) – 1] (“**Cash Amount 1**”); or
(b) [amount] + [amount] x []% x [(Final Reference Price / Initial Reference Price) – 1] (“**Cash Amount 2**”); or
(c) [amount] x (Final Reference Price / Initial Reference Price) (“**Cash Amount 3**”)] *[specify other]*

Double Up Stop Level: []

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Index: [] (Bloomberg Code [])

Initial Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Pricing Date(s): []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [third] Business Day following the Valuation Date] *[specify other]*

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Strike Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): []

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: [Index] Double Up Certificates Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

SINGLE STOCK DOUBLE UP CERTIFICATES

Series: *[Single Stock] Double Up Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: (a) Initial Reference Price + Initial Reference Price x []% x [(Double Up Stop Level / Initial Reference Price) - 1] (“Cash Amount 1”); or
(b) Initial Reference Price + Initial Reference Price x []% x [(Final Reference Price / Initial Reference Price) - 1] (“Cash Amount 2”)
[specify other]

Double Up Stop Level Percentage: [[]%][a percentage determined by the Issuer on the [Pricing] Date. The Indicative Double Up Stop Level Percentage as of the Launch Date is []%] *[specify other]*

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Exchange: []

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Initial Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Pricing Date(s): []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [third] Business Day following the Valuation Date] *[specify other]*

Share: [] (Bloomberg Code [], ISIN Code [])

Share Company: []

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Strike Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): []

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Series: *[Single Stock] Double Up Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX BASKET DOUBLE UP CERTIFICATES

Series: Index Basket Double Up Certificates Series []
Issue Price: []
Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] [specify]
Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]
Basket:

Index	Strike Currency	Weight
[] [Bloomberg Code:]	[]	[]

Cash Amount: [If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Double Up Stop Level:
[amount] + [amount] x []% x [(Double Up Stop Level / Initial Reference Price) – 1]; or
If the Final Reference Price is greater than or equal to the Initial Reference Price but less than the Double Up Stop Level:
[amount] + [amount] x []% x [(Final Reference Price/ Initial Reference Price) – 1]; or
If the Final Reference Price is less than the Initial Reference Price:
[amount] x (Final Reference Price / Initial Reference Price)]
[specify other]

Double Up Stop Level: []
Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]
Exercise Date: []
Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]
Initial Reference Price: []
Index Closing Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]
Index Final Closing Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]
Index Initial Closing Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]
Pricing Date(s): []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [third] Business Day following the Valuation Date] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Strike Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): []

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[repeat as above for each new Series]

STOCK BASKET DOUBLE UP CERTIFICATES

Series: Stock Basket Double Up Certificates Series []

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Basket:

Share	Share Company	Exchange	Strike Currency	Weight
[]	[[ISIN: []]]	[]	[]	[]
[]	[[Bloomberg:]]			

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: [If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Double Up Stop Level
 $\text{Initial Reference Price} + \text{Initial Reference Price} \times []\% \times [(\text{Double Up Stop Level} / \text{Initial Reference Price}) - 1]$; or
 If the Final Reference Price is greater than or equal to the Initial Reference Price but less than the Double Up Stop Level:
 $\text{Initial Reference Price} + \text{Initial Reference Price} \times []\% \times [(\text{Final Reference Price} / \text{Initial Reference Price}) - 1]$; or
 If the Final Reference Price is less than the Initial Reference Price:
 $[\text{amount}] \times (\text{Final Reference Price} / \text{Initial Reference Price})$]]
[specify other]

Double Up Stop Level: []

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Exercise Date: []

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Initial Reference Price: []

Pricing Date(s): []

Physical Settlement: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [third] Business Day following the Valuation Date] [*specify other*]

Share Amount: [Not Applicable]

[If the Final Reference Price is less than the Initial Reference Price: []]

[*specify other*]

Share Closing Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Share Final Closing Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Share Initial Closing Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Valuation Date(s): []

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volatility can be obtained:

Series: *Stock Basket Double Up Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INTEREST RATE EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

Series:	<i>[interest rate] Express Certificates Series []</i>		
Issue Price:	[]		
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>		
Basket:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]		
Certificate	Exchange	Reference Rate	Screen Page
<i>[specify]</i> (ISIN: [])	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Calculation Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]		
Cash Amount:	<i>[specify]</i>		
Certificate:	[[] (ISIN: []) [See Basket] [Not Applicable]		
Current Barrier Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1 and rounded to the next two decimal places] [The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date is []] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]		
Current Premium:	[%] [Not Applicable]		
Current Spread:	[%] [Not Applicable]		
Current Strike Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is []] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]		
Early Termination Amount:	[] [Not Applicable]		
Early Termination Date:	[] [Not Applicable]		
Early Termination Event:	[The Final Reference Price of the[Reference Rate][Certificate][Basket Constituent] on the Early Termination Date is equal to or higher than [its/the] Initial Reference Price] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]		
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Entitlement:	[] [Not Applicable]		
Exchange:	[] [See Basket] [Not Applicable]		
Exchange Business Day:	[Any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event would have been) a trading day on the Exchange, other than a day on which trading on the Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]		
Exercise Date:	[]		
Express Long:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]		
Express Short:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]		
Final Reference Price:	[[In relation to a Reference Rate,] the price of the Reference Rate at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Early		

Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] *[specify other]*

Funding Cost: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Initial Reference Price: [[In relation to a Reference Rate,] the price of the Reference Rate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] *[specify other]*

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Amount: [[EUR] x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction] *[specify other]*

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] *[specify other]*

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [In respect of the *[specify]* Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum]
[In respect of the *[specify]* Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula:
[specify]]
[Not Applicable] *[specify other]*

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]
[Not Applicable] *[specify other]*

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Not Applicable] *[specify]*

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [Not Applicable] *[specify]*

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Not Applicable] [one calendar month] *[specify]*

Launch Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Pricing Date(s): []

Reference Banks: [five] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Reference Rate: [The [] rate published on the Screen Page [(quoted on a [*specify*] basis)] [See Basket] [Not Applicable]

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
 Early Termination Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Reset Date: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Screen Page: [[] Screen: Page []] [See Basket] [Not Applicable]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Second Business Day following the Early Termination Date] if an Early Termination Event has occurred, the second Business Day following the Issuer Call Date if an Issuer Call has occurred and] [the Exercise Date] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [[[Second] Business Day before] the Exercise Date] [*specify other*]

Valuation Time: [11.00 Frankfurt time][*specify other*]

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Series: [*interest rate*] *Express Certificates Series* []

[*repeat as above for each new Series*]

COMMODITY EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

Series:	[commodity] Express Certificates Series []		
Issue Price:	[]		
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [Specify]		
Basket:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]		
Certificate	Commodity	Screen Page	Exchange
[specify] (ISIN: [])	[specify]	[specify]	[specify]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]		
Calculation Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other] [Not Applicable]		
Cash Amount:	[specify]		
Certificate:	[[] (ISIN: []) [See Basket] [Not Applicable]		
Commodity:	[[] (Screen Page []) [See Basket] [Not Applicable]		
Current Barrier Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1 and rounded to the next two decimal places] [The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date is []] [specify other] [Not Applicable]		
Current Premium:	[%] [Not Applicable]		
Current Spread:	[%] [Not Applicable]		
Current Strike Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is []] [specify other] [Not Applicable]		
Early Termination Amount:	[] [Not Applicable]		
Early Termination Date:	[] [Not Applicable]		
Early Termination Event:	[The Final Reference Price of the [Commodity][Certificate][Basket Constituent] on the Early Termination Date is equal to or higher than the Initial Reference Price] [specify other] [Not Applicable]		
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]		
Entitlement:	[] [Not Applicable]		
Exchange:	[] [See Basket]		
Exchange Business Day:	[Any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event would have been) a trading day on the Exchange, other than a day on which trading on the Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time] [specify other] [Not Applicable]		
Exercise Date:	[]		
Express Long:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]		
Express Short:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]		
Final Reference Price:	[In relation to a Commodity,] the price of the Commodity at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the		

fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] [*specify other*]

Funding Cost: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Initial Reference Price: [In relation to a Commodity,] the price of the Commodity at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] [*specify other*]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Amount: [[EUR] x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction] [*specify other*]

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [In respect of the [*specify*] Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum]

[In respect of the [*specify*] Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula:

[*specify*]]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Not Applicable] [*specify*]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [Not Applicable] [*specify*]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Not Applicable] [one calendar month] [*specify*]

Launch Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Pricing Date(s): []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
 Early Termination Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Reset Date: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Second Business Day following the Early Termination Date] if an Early Termination Event has occurred, the second Business Day following the Issuer Call Date if an Issuer Call has occurred and] [the Exercise Date] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [[Second] Business Day before] the Exercise Date [*specify other*]

Valuation Time: []

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

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ISIN: []

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Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S.

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: *[commodity] Express Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

EQUITY EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

Series: *[equity] Express Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[Specify]*

Basket: *[Applicable]* [Not Applicable]

Certificate	Share:	Share Company	Exchange
<i>[specify]</i> []	(ISIN: <i>[specify]</i> [])	(ISIN: <i>[specify]</i> (Bloomberg Code: [])	<i>[specify]</i>

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Calculation Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Cash Amount: *[specify]*

Certificate: [[] (ISIN: []) [See Basket] [Not Applicable]

Current Barrier Level: [As stated in Product Condition 1 and rounded to the next two decimal places] [The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date is []] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Current Premium: [%] [Not Applicable]

Current Spread: [%] [Not Applicable]

Current Strike Level: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is []] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Early Termination Amount: [] [Not Applicable]

Early Termination Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Early Termination Event: [The Final Reference Price of the [Share][Certificate][Basket Constituent] on the Early Termination Date is equal to or higher than the Initial Reference Price] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: [] [Not Applicable]

Exchange: [] [See Basket]

Exchange Business Day: [Any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event would have been) a trading day on the Exchange, other than a day on which trading on the Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Exercise Date: []

Express Long: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Express Short: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Final Reference Price: [[In relation to a Share,] the price of the Share on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair

market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] *[specify other]*

Funding Cost: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Initial Reference Price: [[In relation to a Share,] the price of the Share on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] *[specify other]*

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Amount: [[EUR] x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction] *[specify other]*

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] *[specify other]*

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum]
[In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula:
[specify]]
[Not Applicable] *[specify other]*

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]
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[Not Applicable] *[specify other]*

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Not Applicable] *[specify]*

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [Not Applicable] *[specify]*

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Not Applicable] [one calendar month] *[specify]*

Launch Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Notional Dividend Amount: [Applicable] [Not Applicable] [As specified in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Notional Dividend Period: [Applicable] [Not Applicable] [As specified in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Pricing Date(s): []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
 Early Termination Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Reset Date: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Second Business Day following the Early Termination Date] if an Early Termination Event has occurred, the second Business Day following the Issuer Call Date if an Issuer Call has occurred and [the Exercise Date] [specify other]

Share: [[] ISIN: []] [See Basket] [Not Applicable]

Share Company: [[] (Bloomberg Code: []) [See Basket] [Not Applicable]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [[Second] Business Day before] the Exercise Date] [specify other]

Valuation Time: [The close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to the Share] [specify other]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]
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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: [equity] Express Certificates Series []
[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

Series:	[<i>index</i>] <i>Express Certificates Series</i> []						
Issue Price:	[]						
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [<i>specify</i>]						
Basket:	[<i>Applicable</i>] [Not Applicable]						
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Certificate	Index	Bloomberg Code					
[<i>specify</i>] [])	(ISIN: [<i>specify</i>])	[<i>specify</i>]					
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]						
Calculation Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]						
Cash Amount:	[<i>specify</i>]						
Certificate:	[[] (ISIN: []) [See Basket] [Not Applicable]						
Current Barrier Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1 and rounded to the next two decimal places] [The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date is []] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]						
Current Premium:	[%] [Not Applicable]						
Current Spread:	[%] [Not Applicable]						
Current Strike Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is []] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]						
Early Termination Amount:	[] [Not Applicable]						
Early Termination Date:	[] [Not Applicable]						
Early Termination Event:	[The Final Reference Price of the [Index][Certificate][Basket Constituent] on the Early Termination Date is equal to or higher than the Initial Reference Price] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]						
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]						
Entitlement:	[] [Not Applicable]						
Exchange Business Day:	[Any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event would have been) a trading day on the Exchange, other than a day on which trading on the Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]						
Exercise Date:	[]						
Express Long:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]						
Express Short:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]						
Final Reference Price:	[[In relation to an Index,] the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be, as						

determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] [*specify other*]

Funding Cost: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Index: [[]] (Bloomberg Code: []) [See Basket] [Not Applicable]

Initial Reference Price: [[In relation to an Index,] the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] [*specify other*]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Amount: [[EUR] x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction] [*specify other*]

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum]

[In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula:

[*specify*]]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

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[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Not Applicable] [*specify*]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [Not Applicable] [*specify*]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Not Applicable] [one calendar month] [*specify*]

Launch Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Notional Dividend [Applicable] [Not Applicable] [As specified in Product Condition 1]

Amount: [specify other]

Notional Dividend Period: [Applicable] [Not Applicable] [As specified in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Pricing Date(s): []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
 Early Termination Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Reset Date: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Second Business Day following the Early Termination Date] if an Early Termination Event has occurred, the second Business Day following the Issuer Call Date if an Issuer Call has occurred and] [the Exercise Date] [specify other]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [[Second] Business Day before] the Exercise Date] [specify other]

Valuation Time: [The time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the relevant Index] [specify other]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]
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Series: *[index] Express Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

CURRENCY EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

Series:	<i>[currency] Express Certificates Series []</i>			
Issue Price:	[]			
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[Specify]</i>			
Basket:	<i>[Applicable]</i> [Not Applicable]			
Certificate	Exchange	Underlying Rate	FX	Screen Page
<i>[specify]</i> (ISIN: [])	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>		<i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>			
Calculation Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]			
Cash Amount:	<i>[specify]</i>			
Certificate:	[[] (ISIN: []) [See Basket] [Not Applicable]			
Current Barrier Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1 and rounded to the next two decimal places] [The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date is []] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]			
Current Premium:	[%] [Not Applicable]			
Current Spread:	[%] [Not Applicable]			
Current Strike Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is []] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]			
Early Termination Amount:	[] [Not Applicable]			
Early Termination Date:	[] [Not Applicable]			
Early Termination Event:	[The Final Reference Price of the [Underlying FX Rate][Certificate][Basket Constituent] on the Early Termination Date is equal to or higher than [its/the] Initial Reference Price] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]			
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>			
Entitlement:	[] [Not Applicable]			
Exchange:	[] [See Basket] [Not Applicable]			
Exchange Business Day:	[Any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event would have been) a trading day on the Exchange, other than a day on which trading on the Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]			
Exercise Date:	[]			
Express Long:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]			
Express Short:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]			
Final Reference Price:	[[In relation to an Underlying FX Rate,] the bid price of the Underlying FX Rate at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date, Issuer			

Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] *[specify other]*

Funding Cost: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Initial Reference Price: [[In relation to an Underlying FX Rate,] the bid price of the Underlying FX Rate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] *[specify other]*

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Amount: [[EUR] x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction] *[specify other]*

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] *[specify other]*

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum]

[In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula:
[specify]
 [Not Applicable] *[specify other]*

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

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[Not Applicable] *[specify other]*

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Not Applicable] *[specify]*

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [Not Applicable] *[specify]*

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Not Applicable] [one calendar month] *[specify]*

Launch Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Pricing Date(s): []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
 Early Termination Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Reset Date: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Screen Page: [[] Screen: Page []] [See Basket]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Second Business Day following the Early Termination Date] if an Early Termination Event has occurred, the second Business Day following the Issuer Call Date if an Issuer Call has occurred and] [the Exercise Date] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Underlying Currency: []

Underlying FX Rate: [[] (Bloomberg Code: [])] [See Basket] [Not Applicable]

Valuation Date(s): [[Second] Business Day before] the Exercise Date [*specify other*]

Valuation Time: []

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REFERENCE ASSET EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

Series:	<i>[reference asset] Express Certificates Series []</i>		
Issue Price:	[]		
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[Specify]</i>		
Basket:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]		
Certificate	Reference Asset	Screen Page	Exchange
<i>[specify]</i> (ISIN: [])	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Calculation Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]		
Cash Amount:	<i>[specify]</i>		
Certificate:	[[] (ISIN: []) [See Basket] [Not Applicable]		
Current Barrier Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1 and rounded to the next two decimal places] [The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date is []] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]		
Current Premium:	[%] [Not Applicable]		
Current Spread:	[%] [Not Applicable]		
Current Strike Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is []] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]		
Early Termination Amount:	[] [Not Applicable]		
Early Termination Date:	[] [Not Applicable]		
Early Termination Event:	[The Final Reference Price of the [Reference Asset][Certificate][Basket Constituent] on the Early Termination Date is equal to or higher than the Initial Reference Price] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]		
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Entitlement:	[] [Not Applicable]		
Exchange:	[] [See Basket]		
Exchange Business Day:	[Any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event would have been) a trading day on the Exchange, other than a day on which trading on the Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]		
Exercise Date:	[]		
Express Long:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]		
Express Short:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]		
Final Reference Price:	[In relation to a Reference Asset,] the price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be, adjusted for any reasonable market making spreads] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Early		

Termination Date, Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] [*specify other*]

Initial Reference Price: [In relation to a Reference Asset,] the price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date adjusted for any reasonable market making spreads] [[In relation to a Certificate,] the fair market value of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion based on the price of the underlying product to which the Certificate is linked] [*specify other*]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Amount: [[EUR] x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction] [*specify other*]

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum]

[In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula:

[specify]]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Not Applicable] [*specify*]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [Not Applicable] [*specify*]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Not Applicable] [one calendar month] [*specify*]

Handling Cost: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Launch Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Pricing Date(s): []

Reference Asset: [[] (Screen Page [])] [See Basket] [Not Applicable]

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Reset Date: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
 Early Termination Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Rollover Date: [the prompt date of the Reference Asset with an expiry month preceding the current existing Reference Asset]
 [a date, being a Trading Day, as selected by the Issuer within the last 10 Trading Days prior to the last Trading Day of the Reference Asset]
 [a date, being a Trading Day, as selected by the Issuer within the last 10 Trading Days prior to the last Trading Day of the Reference Asset with an expiry month preceding the existing Reference Asset]
 [the period ending not less than 10 Trading Days prior to the first notice date of the Reference Asset]
 [the period within the last 10 Trading Days prior to first notice date of the Reference Asset]

Rollover Ratio: $[(A-B)/(C+D)] \times E$ where (i) A is the Reference Asset Price; (ii) B is the Transaction Charge multiplied by the Reference Asset Price; (iii) C is the Substitute Asset Price; (iv) D is the Transaction Charge multiplied by the Substitute Asset Price and (v) E is the immediately preceding Rollover Ratio [*specify other*]

Rollover Spread: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Rollover Time: [In the course of the usual Trading Hours on the Exchange (currently [11.02am to 8.30pm Central European Time])] [*specify other*]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Second Business Day following the Early Termination Date] if an Early Termination Event has occurred, the second Business Day following the Issuer Call Date if an Issuer Call has occurred and] [the Exercise Date] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Transaction Charge: [% adjusted on each Rollover Date by the Calculation Agent subject to a maximum of [%]][Not Applicable]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [[Second] Business Day before] the Exercise Date [*specify other*]

Valuation Time: []

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in

part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Fondscore: []

WKN: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: [reference asset] Express Certificates Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

FUND EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

Series: [Fund] Express Certificates Series []

Issue Price: []

Additional Fund Events: [None] [Specify]

Basket: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

[Reference Asset]	[Fund]	Exchange
[specify]	[specify] (Bloomberg Code: [])	[specify]

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Calculation Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Cash Amount: [Specify Cash Amount or formula for Cash Amount]

Current Barrier Level: [As stated in Product Condition 1 and rounded to the next two decimal places] [The Current Barrier Level on the Launch Date is []] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Current Premium: [%] [Not Applicable]

Current Spread: [%] [Not Applicable]

Current Strike Level: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [The Current Strike Level on the Launch Date is []] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Early Termination Amount: [] [Not Applicable]

Early Termination Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Early Termination Event: [The Final Reference Price [of the Least Performing Basket Constituent] on the Early Termination Date is equal to or higher than the Initial Reference Price] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Emerging Market Disruption Event: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies][specify other]

Entitlement: [] [Not Applicable]

Exchange: [] [See Basket]

Exchange Business Day: [Any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Fund Event or Emerging Market Disruption Event would have been) a trading day on the Exchange, other than a day on which trading on the Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Exercise Date: []

Express Long: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Express Short: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Final Reference Price: [[In relation to a Fund,] an amount equal to the NAV of the [Least Performing Basket Constituent that is a] Fund as quoted by the fund manager of the Fund on the Valuation Date or the Early Termination Date, as the case may be]

[[In relation to a Fund that is an exchange traded fund,] the trading price of the [Least Performing Basket Constituent that is a] Reference Asset on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Early Termination Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Fund: [*specify*] (Bloomberg Code: [])

Funding Cost: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Initial Reference Price: [[In relation to a Fund,] an amount equal to the NAV of the [Least Performing Basket Constituent that is a] Fund as quoted by the fund manager of the Fund on the Pricing Date]

[In relation to a Fund that is an exchange traded fund,] the trading price of the [Least Performing Basket Constituent that is a] Reference Asset on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Amount: [[*currency*] x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction] [*specify other*]

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not

Applicable]

[*specify other*]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [In respect of the [*specify*] Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum]

[In respect of the [*specify*] Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula:

[*specify*]]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that Fraction: for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day; months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Launch Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Least Performing Basket Constituent: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

[Not Applicable]

Notional Dividend Amount: [Applicable] [Not Applicable] [As specified in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Notional Dividend Period: [Applicable] [Not Applicable] [As specified in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Pricing Date(s): []

Reference Asset: [[] of the Fund (ISIN: [])] [See Basket] [*Specify other*]

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies][*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
 Early Termination Date: [180]
 Valuation Date: [180]

Reset Date: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [[Third Business Day following] [the Early Termination Date if an Early Termination Event has occurred or] [the Valuation Date] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies][*specify other*]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [[Second] Business Day before] the Exercise Date] [*specify other*]

Valuation Time: [The close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Reference Asset where the Fund is an exchange traded fund] [*specify other*]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]
(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Fondscod: []

WKN: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

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[repeat as above for each new
Series]

INDEX AND INFLATION INDEX EXPRESS CERTIFICATES

Series:	[Index and Inflation Index] Express Certificates Series []						
Issue Price:	[]						
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]						
Basket:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]						
	<table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Index</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Inflation Index</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Bloomberg Code</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">[specify]</td> <td style="text-align: center;">[specify]</td> <td style="text-align: center;">[specify]</td> </tr> </table>	Index	Inflation Index	Bloomberg Code	[specify]	[specify]	[specify]
Index	Inflation Index	Bloomberg Code					
[specify]	[specify]	[specify]					
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]						
Cash Amount:	<p>(i) If the Index Final Reference Price is equal to or greater than the Index Initial Reference Price:</p> <p>[Issue Price]</p> $\times \left[1 + \max \left(\frac{HICP_T - HICP_0}{HICP_0}, [90\%] \times \frac{\text{Index IRP} - \text{Index FRP}}{\text{Index IRP}} \right) \right] \text{ (ii)}$ <p>If the Index Final Reference Price is less than the Index Initial Reference Price:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">[Issue Price]</p>						
	<p>Where:</p> <p>HICP_T is the Inflation Index Final Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the year [];</p> <p>HICP₀ is the Inflation Index Final Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the year [];</p> <p>[Specify other]</p>						
Early Termination Amount:	[] [Not Applicable]						
Early Termination Date:	[] [Not Applicable]						
Early Termination Event:	The Index Final Reference Price on the Early Termination Date is equal to or higher than the Index Initial Reference Price] [specify other] [Not Applicable] ¹						
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]						
Entitlement:	[] [Not Applicable]						
Exercise Date:	[]						
Index:	[[] (Bloomberg Code: [])] [See Basket] [Not Applicable]						
Index Final Reference Price	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]						

¹ Early Termination Event is only linked to the level of an Index

(“Index FRP”):

Index Initial Reference Price [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

(“Index IRP”):

Inflation Index: [[Inflation Index] published on a [monthly] [other] basis by the [], as displayed on Bloomberg ‘[] <Index>’ (or such other page as may replace that page, or such other information service as may be selected by the Calculation Agent, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, for the purpose of displaying the Inflation Index)] [*specify other*]]

Inflation Index Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Amount: [[EUR] x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction] [*specify other*]

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum]

[In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula:

[*specify*]]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Not Applicable] [*specify*]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [Not Applicable] [*specify*]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Not Applicable] [one calendar month] [*specify*]

Launch Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Pricing Date(s): []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Months: [2] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
 Early Termination Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Second Business Day following the Early Termination Date] if an Early Termination Event has occurred, the second Business Day following the Issuer Call Date if an Issuer Call has occurred or [the Valuation Date] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [The Exercise Date] [*specify other*]

Valuation Month(s): []

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

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ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Fondscore: []

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Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

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account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: *[Index and Inflation Index] Express Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

EQUITY CERTIFICATES

Series: *[Share] Certificates due [] Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: [Participation x Final Reference Price x Entitlement]
[specify other]

Cash Settled Securities: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Dividend Amount Days: [five][three]*[specify other]* Business Days

Early Termination Amount: *[an amount equal to the proceeds (if any) received by the Issuer under its Hedge Positions, less any expenses incurred by the Issuer in unwinding or enforcing its Hedge Positions]*
[specify other]

Early Termination Event: *[The Issuer's Hedge Position has become unenforceable (in whole or in part) or the Hedge Provider has in the determination of the Calculation Agent, become insolvent or any other events which would result in the Issuer not receiving in full its entitlement under the Hedge Position]*
[specify other]

Entitlement: []

Exchange: []

Exercise Date: []

Exercise Date Extension Option: [Applicable: [10 Business Days' notice][notice prior to the Exercise Date]]*[specify other]*
[Not Applicable]

Expiration Date: [The date falling 3 months after the Settlement Date]
[specify other]

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1 applies]*[specify other]*

Final Reference Price Period: [a period of twenty four continuous months commencing from and including the Valuation Date]
[specify other]

Force Majeure Event Period: [either (i) a period of twelve continuous months from and including the day by which the sale of all Shares comprising the Parcel has been completed or (ii) in the event that the sale of all Shares comprising the Parcel

has not been completed by the last day of a twenty four continuous month period commencing from and including the Valuation Date, for a period of twelve continuous months from but excluding the last day of such twenty four continuous month period] [*specify other*]

Form: [Global Registered]
[Global Bearer]

FX Market Disruption Event: [Any of the following:

[(A) it becomes impossible to obtain the prevailing Exchange Rate on the Valuation Date; or (B) the occurrence of any event which (i) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency or Underlying Currency or (ii) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Settlement Currency or Underlying Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency or Underlying Currency, respectively, to accounts outside such jurisdiction or between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or (C) any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities]

Any determination by the Calculation Agent that at any time a FX Market Disruption Event has occurred shall be final and binding on the Issuer and the Holder [*specify other*]

[Not Applicable]²

Issuer Call: [*Applicable*][*Not Applicable*]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [*specify amount or provide formula*]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [*specify*]

Issuer Call Date: [*specify*]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [*specify*]

Selling Restrictions: The text set out in the Base Prospectus applies[, subject to [India] [Saudi Arabia] [*specify other*] [*specify any relevant amendments*]]

Participation: [] per cent.

² insert Not Applicable if not Taiwan, Chinese, Saudi Arabian or Indian underlying

Payment Day Period: [a period of twelve continuous months from and including the day on which the Final Reference Price is determined] [*specify other*]

Physical Delivery Securities: [Applicable][Not Applicable] Equity certificates may only be physically settled by non-U.S. persons.

Settlement Currency: [US dollars][*specify other*]

Settlement Date: [second][tenth][eleventh][*specify other*] Business Day following the Valuation Date, save that in the event that a Market Disruption Event [or a FX Market Disruption Event]³ causes the Final Reference Price to be computed later than the Valuation Date as provided in the definition of Final Reference Price, the Settlement Date shall be the [*specify*] Business Day after the Final Reference Price is determined

Share: The [ordinary][*specify other*] share of the Share Company (ISIN: [])

Share Company: []

[Potential investors in the Securities are referred to the Indian selling restriction contained in the Base Prospectus [and the amendments to such selling restriction detailed under “Selling Restrictions - India” above]]⁴

Underlying Currency: []

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under

³ insert if Taiwan, Chinese or Indian underlying
⁴ insert if Indian Share Company

Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Fondscore: []

WKN: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the **Securities Act**) or the securities laws of any state or political subdivision of the United States, and may not be offered, sold, transferred or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person, except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to the requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable U.S. state securities laws. The Securities are being offered and sold only: (i) outside the United States to persons other than U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) in offshore transactions that meet the requirements of Regulation S under the Securities Act (**Regulation S**); and (ii) only with respect to the Securities in registered form, to U.S. persons who are “qualified institutional buyers” (as defined in Rule 144A of the Securities Act). Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

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Series: [Share] Certificates due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED CERTIFICATES

Series: *Multi-Asset Basket Linked Certificates due [] [Specify other]*

Issue Price: []

Additional Fund Events: [None] [Specify other]

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] [Specify other]

Basket:

["Basket Constituent"	"Weight"	"Share Company"	"Exchange"	"Basket Constituent Currency"
<i>[specify each Basket Constituent and Bloomberg Code]</i>	<i>[Specify % Weight]</i>	<i>[Specify]</i>	<i>[Specify]</i>	<i>[Specify]</i>
	[Not Applicable]	[Not Applicable]	[Not Applicable]	[Not Applicable]

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Screen Page: *[specify]*

[repeat as appropriate for other

rates] ["FX Rate1"] ["FX

Rate2"] ["FX Rate3"] ["FX

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Rate6"]

["Certificate1"] ["Certificate2"]

["Commodity1"]

["Commodity2"]

["Commodity3"]

["Commodity4"]

["Index1"] ["Index2"]

["Index3"]

["Index4"] ["Index5"]

["Share1"] ["Share2"]

["Share3"]

["Fund1"] ["Fund2"]

["Fund3"] [Where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, include details of the Reference Asset]

Basket Return: [20% x Index Return + 20% x Certificate Return + 20% x Commodity Return + 20% x FX Rate Return + 20% x Fund Return]

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Business Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[Specify other]

Cash Amount: (90% + 100% x Max [0; Basket Return – 0.9] + 100% x Max [0; Basket Return – 1])

[Specify other]

Certificate Final Reference Price (CertFRP): [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Certificate Initial Reference Price (CertIRP): [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Certificate Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Certificate Return: $50\% \times \frac{\text{CertFRP of Commodity1}}{\text{CertIRP of Commodity1}} + 50\% \times \frac{\text{CertFRP of Commodity2}}{\text{CertIRP of Commodity2}}$

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Commodity Final Reference Price (CFRP): [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Commodity Initial Reference Price (CIRP): [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Commodity Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Commodity Return: $25\% \times \frac{\text{CFRP of Commodity1}}{\text{CIRP of Commodity1}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{CFRP of Commodity2}}{\text{CIRP of Commodity2}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{CFRP of Commodity3}}{\text{CIRP of Commodity3}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{CFRP of Commodity4}}{\text{CIRP of Commodity4}}$

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Early Termination Amount: [] [Not Applicable]

Early Termination Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Early Termination Event: [The Final Reference Price [of the [Certificate] [Commodity] [Fund] [FX Rate] [Index] [Share] Basket Constituent]] on the Early Termination Date is equal to or higher than [its/the] [Certificate] [Commodity] [Fund] [FX Rate] [Index] [Share] Initial Reference Price] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Entitlement: [Specify] [Not Applicable]

Exercise Date: []

Fund Final Reference Price [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

(FFRP): [Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Fund Initial Reference Price [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

(FIRP): [Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Fund Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Fund Return: [Specify] [Not Applicable]

FX Rate Final Reference Price [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

(FXFRP): [Specify other] [Not Applicable]

FX Rate Initial Reference Price [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

(FXIRP): [Specify other] [Not Applicable]

FX Rate Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

FX Rate Return: $25\% \times \frac{\text{FXFRP of FX Rate1}}{\text{FXIRP of FX Rate1}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{FXFRP of FX Rate2}}{\text{FXIRP of FX Rate2}} + 16.67\% \times \frac{\text{FXFRP of FX Rate3}}{\text{FXIRP of FX Rate3}} + 16.67\% \times \frac{\text{FXFRP of FX Rate4}}{\text{FXIRP of FX Rate4}} + 16.66\% \times \frac{\text{FXFRP of FX Rate5}}{\text{FXIRP of FX Rate5}}$

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Index Final Reference Price [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

(IFRP): [Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Index Initial Reference Price [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

(IIRP): [Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Index Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Index Return:
$$25\% \times \frac{\text{IFRP of Index1}}{\text{IIRP of Index1}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{IFRP of Index2}}{\text{IIRP of Index2}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{IFRP of Index3}}{\text{IIRP of Index3}} + 25\%$$

[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Amount: [Specify] [Not Applicable]

Interest Payment Dates: [Not Applicable]
[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [Not Applicable]
[[] per cent.] [per annum]
[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other]

Interest Rate Day Count [Not Applicable]

Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]
[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]
[Specify other]

Issuer Call: [Not Applicable] [Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Not Applicable] [Cash Amount] [Specify other]

Issuer Call Commencement [Not Applicable] [Specify other]

Date:

Issuer Call Date: [Not Applicable] [*Specify other*] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Not Applicable] [*Specify other*]

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purpose of:

Early Termination Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

[Not Applicable]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The fifth Business Day following (i) the Issuer Call Date following an Issuer Call, (ii) the Early Termination Date if an Early Termination Event has occurred or (iii) the Valuation Date]]

[*Specify other*]

Share Final Reference Price (SFRP): [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*Specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Share Initial Reference Price (SIRP): [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*Specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Share Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*Specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Share Return: [*Specify*] [Not Applicable]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Trading Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[*Specify other*]

Valuation Date(s): []

Valuation Time: [(i) in respect of each Index, Fund, Certificate and Share the definition in Product Condition 1 applies, (ii) in respect of each Commodity [The time of the London [morning] [daily] fixing currently [10:30am] [12:15pm] London time] [The time at which the Exchange publishes the daily closing price] and (iii) in respect

of each FX Rate [11.00 hours Central European Time]

[Specify other]

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Fondscore: [Not Applicable]

[Specify other]

Other Securities Code: [Not Applicable]

[Specify other]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

Indication of yield: [Not Applicable]

[Specify other]

Amendments to General Conditions or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

INFORMATION ON THE BASKET CONSTITUENT

Page where information about the past and future performance of a Basket Constituent and its volatility can be obtained: [Bloomberg][Reuters][specify other]

Index disclaimer(s):

MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

Save as disclosed in the Issuer's LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference therein, there has been no significant change in the financial position of the Issuer since 31st December 2009. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer since 31st December 2009, other than as disclosed in the Issuer's LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference therein.

RESPONSIBILITY

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in the Base Prospectus, as completed and/or amended by these Final Terms. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

[The information relating to the Underlying has been extracted from external sources. The Issuer confirms that such information has been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware, and is able to ascertain from information published by the external sources, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.]

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.
(incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam)



The Royal Bank of Scotland

BASE PROSPECTUS RELATING TO

OPEN END CERTIFICATES

THE ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND N.V.

LAUNCHPAD PROGRAMME

DATED: 18 OCTOBER 2010

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED IN THIS BASE PROSPECTUS (THE "SECURITIES") SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEY UNDERSTAND FULLY THE NATURE OF THE SECURITIES AND THE EXTENT OF THEIR EXPOSURE TO THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SECURITIES. THE MARKET PRICE AND/OR VALUE OF THE SECURITIES MAY BE VOLATILE AND HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES MAY SUSTAIN A TOTAL LOSS IN THE VALUE OF THEIR INVESTMENT (UNLESS THE SECURITIES ARE OF A TYPE IN WHICH CAPITAL IS PROTECTED). PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS NEED TO CONSIDER THE SUITABILITY OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES IN LIGHT OF THEIR OWN FINANCIAL, FISCAL, REGULATORY AND OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES. PLEASE REFER, IN PARTICULAR, TO THE SECTIONS "RISK FACTORS" IN THIS BASE PROSPECTUS AND IN THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENT FOR A MORE COMPLETE EXPLANATION OF THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES, AND MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM, OR IN A TRANSACTION NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES DO NOT CONSTITUTE UNITS OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SWISS FEDERAL ACT ON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES ("CISA") AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF, OR SUPERVISION BY THE SWISS FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY ("FINMA"). HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES ARE EXPOSED TO THE CREDIT RISK OF THE ISSUER.

This Base Prospectus constitutes, a base prospectus for the purposes of Article 5.4 of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”).

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (the “**Issuer**”) accepts responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext for Securities to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam N.V. (“**Euronext Amsterdam**”) by NYSE Euronext up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus. In addition, Securities may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on any other stock exchange or market specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities.

This Base Prospectus will be filed with the SIS Swiss Exchange Ltd. and application may be made to list the Securities under the Programme on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. In respect of Securities to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Programme, together with the Final Terms, will constitute the listing prospectus pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

References in this Programme to Securities being “**listed**” (and all related references) shall mean that such Securities will be admitted to trading and will be listed on Euronext Amsterdam or any other regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2004/39/EC (the “**Markets in Financial Instruments Directive**”).

The Issuer has not authorised the making or provision of any representation or information regarding the Issuer or any Securities. Neither the delivery of this document nor the delivery of any other documents of the LaunchPAD Programme nor any information provided in the course of a transaction in Securities shall, in any circumstances, be construed as a recommendation by the Issuer to enter into any transaction with respect to any Securities. Each prospective investor contemplating a purchase of Securities should make its own independent investigation of the risks associated with a transaction involving any Securities.

The delivery of this document does not at any time imply that there has been no change in the affairs of the Issuer since the date of this Base Prospectus. The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information.

The distribution of this document and the offering, sale and delivery of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this document comes are required by the Issuer to inform themselves about, and to observe, any such restrictions. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of this document and other offering material relating to the Securities please refer to the section “**Selling Restrictions**” in this Base Prospectus.

No person has been authorised to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Base Prospectus and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuer.

Where information has been sourced from a third party, the Issuer confirms that this information has been accurately reproduced and that as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

This Base Prospectus is to be read in conjunction with all documents that are deemed to be incorporated herein by reference and shall be read and construed on the basis that such documents are incorporated in and form part of the Base Prospectus.

The Issuer does not represent that this document may be lawfully distributed, or that Securities may be lawfully offered, in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any jurisdiction, or pursuant to an exemption available thereunder, or assume any responsibility for facilitating any such distribution or offering. In particular, no action has been taken by the Issuer, which would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of this Prospectus or any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuer. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of this document and other offering material relating to the Securities please refer to the section "Selling Restrictions" in this Base Prospectus.

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SUMMARY

This summary must be read as an introduction to this Base Prospectus and any decision to invest in any Securities should be based on a consideration of this Base Prospectus as a whole, including the documents incorporated by reference. No civil liability attaches to the Issuer in respect of this Summary, including any translation thereof, unless it is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent when read together with the other parts of this Base Prospectus. Where a claim relating to information contained in this Base Prospectus is brought before a court in a Member State of the European Economic Area (an “EEA State”), the plaintiff may, under the national legislation of the EEA State where the claim is brought, be required to bear the costs of translating the Base Prospectus before the legal proceedings are initiated.

Words and expressions defined elsewhere in this Base Prospectus shall have the same meanings in this summary.

Issuer: The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Bank N.V.) (the “**Issuer**” or “**RBS N.V.**”) acting through its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4AA.

History and Incorporation: The origin of RBS N.V. can be traced to the formation of “Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V.” in 1825 pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824. RBS N.V.’s articles of association were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. RBS N.V. is registered in the Commercial Register of Amsterdam under number 33002587. RBS N.V.’s registered office is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RBS Holdings N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Holding N.V.) (“**RBS Holdings**”), which is incorporated as a limited liability company under Dutch law by deed of 30 May 1990. The articles of association of RBS Holdings were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. M.W. Galjaart,

a deputy of Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. The registered office of RBS Holdings is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS Holdings owns 100 per cent. of RBS N.V.'s shares and is jointly and severally liable for all our liabilities in respect of the structured products pursuant to a declaration under Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code.

Overview:

The Issuer is a bank licensed by the Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*). RBS Group targets the highest possible credit rating for RBS N.V.

The Issuer operates on a significant scale across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), the Americas and Asia. At legal separation from the ABN AMRO group on 1 April 2010 (see the paragraph *Separation from the ABN AMRO group* below), RBS N.V. has a sizeable balance sheet, a significant staff presence and a broad set of products; provided by a sales force operating in approximately 40 countries (reducing over time following intended asset sales or exits of selected network countries). As at 31 December 2009, the RBS acquired businesses within RBS N.V. reported total consolidated assets of €275 billion and had more than 27,000 full time staff through a network of 264 offices and branches.

Headquartered in Edinburgh, the RBS Group operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and internationally through its two principal subsidiaries, RBS Plc and Natwest. Both RBS Plc and Natwest are major United Kingdom clearing banks whose origins go back over 275 years. In the United States, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc's subsidiary Citizens is a large commercial banking organization. RBS Group has a large and diversified customer base and provides a wide range of products and services to personal, commercial and large corporate and institutional customers.

Group Organisational Structure:

RBS N.V. comprises the following core businesses:

- Global Banking & Markets: Global Lending, Equities, Short Term Markets & Funding, and Local Markets;
- Global Transaction Services: Global Trade Finance, Transaction Banking and International Cash Management; and
- Risk & Restructuring: The Non-Core Division in Risk & Restructuring contains assets that are no longer core to RBS Group's strategic objectives and include Trading, Wholesale Banking and Retail & Commercial Business Units, as well as selected network countries. The assets will reduce over time through wind-down, sale or transfer.

These RBS N.V. businesses are part of global business units in the RBS Group that operate across multiple legal entities. The strategy of RBS N.V. is part of the overall businesses' strategies of the RBS Group.

Separation from the ABN AMRO Group:

On 17 October 2007 85.6 per cent. of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was acquired through RFS Holdings B.V. ("**RFS Holdings**"), a company incorporated by a consortium consisting of the RBS, Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV ("**Fortis**") and Banco Santander S.A. each a 'Consortium Member'.

On 3 October 2008, the State of the Netherlands ("**Dutch State**") acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

RBS and the Dutch State agreed that the Dutch State acquired businesses would be legally separated from the

residual RBS acquired businesses into a new bank.

Legal demerger and legal separation process

On 30 September 2009 ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that a two-step approach would be taken to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – “**Legal Demerger**”: Transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (the “**Demerging Company**”) to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the “**Acquiring Company**”). Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company was to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The Acquiring Company, comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses, was to then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Legal Demerger and the consequent name changes were successfully effected on 6th February 2010.

Step 2 – “**Legal Separation**”: Transfer of the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Following the transfer of the shares in ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to a new holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was to be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.

The Legal Separation and the consequent name change were successfully effected on 1 April 2010. Following Legal Separation, the Issuer’s activities continue to be subject to Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) and the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) supervision and on a consolidated basis as part of the RBS Group subject to UK Financial Services Authority supervision. Due to the change in the operating model of RBS N.V. compared to pre-acquisition ABN

AMRO Bank N.V. a licence renewal has been granted by the Dutch Central Bank on 3 February 2010.

Following Legal Separation a new managing board and supervisory board of RBS N.V. were appointed

Risk Factors:

In the context of its business activities, the Issuer is subject to various risks that are typical of the banking industry. Should certain risks materialise, this may adversely affect the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of the Issuer and its subsidiaries and, consequently, the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of RBS Holdings and, hence, the capacity (i) of the Issuer to meet its liabilities under the Securities towards the holders of Securities (the “**Holder**”), and/or (ii) of RBS Holdings to meet its obligations under the guarantee. Factors which can adversely affect the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of the Issuer are *inter alia* (i) general economic conditions and other business conditions, (ii) competition, (iii) regulatory change and (iv) standard banking risks including changes in interest and foreign exchange rates and operational, credit, market, liquidity and legal risks.

In addition, there are certain factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with the Securities including (i) the value of the Securities may fluctuate based on the value of the Underlying, (ii) there may not be a secondary market in the Securities, (iii) holders of the Securities have no ownership interest in the Underlying and (iv) there may be limitations on a holder’s right to exercise the Securities or there may be delays in effecting settlement, see section entitled “*Risk Factors*” in this Base Prospectus.

Guarantor:

RBS Holdings pursuant to its declaration under Article 2:403 of the Netherlands Civil Code.

Principal Agent and Calculation Agent:

RBS N.V., acting through its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA

Listing and Admission to Trading: Application will be made to NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market specified in the Final Terms for Securities to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market specified in the Final Terms up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities.

Description of the Securities: A range of certificates may be issued under this Base Prospectus. The terms and conditions (the “**Conditions**”) applicable to such certificates are contained in the general conditions (the “**General Conditions**”) which are applicable to all certificates, product conditions (the “**Product Conditions**”) applicable to the particular type of certificate being issued and the Final Terms (as defined in the Product Conditions) applicable to the particular Series (as defined in the Product Conditions) being issued.

Certificates are investment instruments which, when exercised or terminated in accordance with their Conditions, pay an amount determined by reference to the value of the underlying currency, commodity, index and its constituent elements, stock, bond, basket or other product (together, the “**Underlying**”) on one or more specified days, subject to the certificate entitlement. The types of certificates that may be issued under this Base Prospectus are described below.

Dividends received by the Issuer on holding any hedge for the certificates during the life of the certificates may, if so specified in the applicable Product Conditions, be passed on to the Holder.

Open End Certificates: Open end certificates are similar to ordinary certificates, in that they track in a linear manner the Underlying. The difference between an open end certificate and an ordinary certificate is that an open end certificate does not have an expiration date or maturity date but will instead continue indefinitely until either the Holder exercises or the Issuer terminates the certificates.

Where the Underlying is a product which has an expiration, for example a future or forward, then the Underlying may be substituted for an equivalent instrument during the life of the open end certificates.

Open End Quanto Certificates:

Where the settlement currency is different to the underlying currency, an open end certificate may have a quanto feature (effectively a fixed rate of exchange between the two currencies for the duration of the certificate) and the Issuer may charge the holder of the Securities (the “**Holder**”) for arranging and maintaining such quanto feature by way of reducing the amount received by the Holder on exercise or termination.

Open End Certificates Underlying:

Open end certificates may be issued in relation to a wide range of Underlyings, including, without limitation, commodities, indices, forward or future contracts related to one or more commodities, funds, baskets of indices and funds and other assets.

Spread Open End Certificates:

The spread certificates are leverage type investment instruments, which are not comparable to a direct investment in the underlying assets, because the value of the certificates is linked to the relative performance between two underlying assets comprising a long position in one underlying asset and a short position in another underlying asset. This relative performance is expressed as a percentage rate. Spread certificates contain features including stop-loss, which if breached will result in the early termination of the certificate and issuer automatic call, both of which are based on closing levels of the Underlying.

Rolling Covered Call Open End Certificates:

Rolling covered call certificates are strategy certificates without a fixed redemption date that track the performance of the strategy set out in the applicable Final Terms. Rolling covered call certificates may, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, entitle holders to payment of a coupon or an interim settlement amount on such dates and at such amounts as are set out in the applicable Final Terms. If

specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer will be entitled to terminate a rolling covered call certificate upon such notice as is set out in the applicable Final Terms.

Rolling Mini Short Open End Certificates: Rolling mini certificates have no fixed expiration date or maturity date but will instead continue indefinitely until they are exercised by the Holder, terminated by the Issuer, or knocked out. Certain elements, including but not limited to the current leverage factor, the level of the underlying and the value of the certificates, may be observed to determine whether adjustments need to be made to any of the terms and conditions of the certificates to maintain the leverage within certain limits. In addition to such adjustments, the Holder could be entitled to an interim payment.

Indicative Issue Price: The Securities will be issued at a price determined by the Issuer who may, in making such determinations, refer to, amongst other factors, the level of the Underlying, adjusted for the relevant certificate entitlement and any applicable foreign exchange rate(s).

Maturity: The Securities do not have any fixed maturity date.

Interest: The Securities will not be interest bearing.

General Conditions Set out below is a summary of certain significant provisions of the General Conditions applicable to all Securities issued under this Base Prospectus.

Status of the Securities: The Securities constitute unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank pari passu among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.

Early Termination: The Issuer may terminate any Securities if it shall have determined in its absolute discretion that its performance thereunder shall have become unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance in good faith by the Issuer with any applicable law. In such circumstances the Issuer will, to the extent permitted by law, pay to each Holder in respect of

each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination (ignoring such illegality) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements.

Hedging Disruption:

If a Hedging Disruption Event (as defined in General Condition 5) occurs, the Issuer will at its discretion (i) terminate the Securities and pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements or (ii) make a good faith adjustment to the relevant reference asset as described in General Condition 5(c) or (iii) make any other adjustment to the Conditions as it considers appropriate in order to maintain the theoretical value of the Securities after adjusting for the relevant Hedging Disruption Event. The Issuer may make adjustments following any event likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's hedge position, subject to the conditions set out in General Condition 5(d).

Substitution:

The Issuer may at any time, without the consent of the Holders substitute for itself as Issuer of the Securities, RBS plc or any entity other than RBS plc subject to the conditions set out in General Condition 8. In certain cases, substitution may be required to be effected in accordance with the rules of one or more clearing systems specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Events of Default

The term of the Securities will contain the following events of default:

- (a) default in payment of any principal or interest due in respect of the Securities, continuing for a specified period of time;
- (b) non-performance or non-observance by the Issuer of any of its other obligations under the Securities continuing for a specified period of time; and

events relating to the winding up of the Issuer.

Taxation:

The Holder (and not the Issuer) shall be liable for and/or pay any tax, duty or charge in connection with the ownership of and/or any transfer, payment or delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Holder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable to any Holder such amount as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment.

Product Conditions:

Set out below is a summary of certain significant provisions of the Product Conditions applicable to the Securities to be issued under this Base Prospectus.

Form of Securities:

The Securities, other than Securities issued in dematerialised form, will be issued in global bearer form.

If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as Clearing Agent, Securities will, following their issuance, be transformed into intermediated securities in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act.

Exercise of Securities:

Securities may be exercised on any Exercise Date, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Notification of any such automatic exercise will be made in the manner set out under “General Information”.

Settlement of Securities:

Securities will be cash settled.

Market Disruption Events:

If a Market Disruption Event occurs Holders may experience a delay in settlement and the cash price paid on settlement may be adversely affected. Market Disruption Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security and vary depending on the type of Security.

Emerging Market Disruption Events:

The Emerging Market Disruption Events reflect the substantial risks associated with investing in emerging markets in addition to those risks normally associated with making investments in other countries. Potential investors should note that the securities markets in emerging market jurisdictions are generally substantially smaller and at times

have been more volatile and illiquid than the major securities markets in more developed countries. If a Emerging Market Disruption Event occurs Holders may experience a delay in settlement and the cash price paid on settlement may be adversely affected. Emerging Market Disruption Events are defined in Section 1 of the Product Conditions.

Potential Adjustment Event:

If a Potential Adjustment Event occurs the Calculation Agent may adjust one or more of the Conditions to account for the diluting or concentrative effect of the Potential Adjustment Event. Potential Adjustment Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable) and vary depending on the type of Security.

Fund Event:

If a Fund Event occurs, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, in each case acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, may adjust one or more of the Conditions to reflect the impact of the Fund Event. Fund Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable).

De-listing:

If a De-listing occurs the Calculation Agent may adjust one or more of the Conditions, including replacing the relevant Underlying, to account for such event. De-listing is defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable).

Governing Law:

English law.

English courts:

The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or in connection with the Securities.

Final Terms:

Each Series will be the subject of a Final Terms which will contain the final terms applicable to the Series. The form of the Final Terms applicable to each type of Security is set out at the end of this Base Prospectus.

The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant

Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

RISK FACTORS

The Issuer believes that the following factors may affect its ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued. Most of these factors are contingencies which may or may not occur and the Issuer is not in a position to express a view on the likelihood of any such contingency occurring.

In addition, factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Securities issued are also described below.

The Issuer believes that the factors described below represent the principal risks inherent in investing in Securities issued, but the inability of the Issuer to pay principal or other amounts on or in connection with any Securities, or to perform any delivery obligations in relation to the Securities, may occur for other reasons and the Issuer does not represent that the statements below regarding the risks of holding any Securities are exhaustive. Prospective investors should also read the detailed information set out elsewhere in this Base Prospectus and reach their own views prior to making any investment decision.

Before making an investment decision with respect to any Securities, prospective investors should consult their own stockbroker, bank manager, lawyer, accountant or other financial, legal and tax advisers and carefully review the risks entailed by an investment in the Securities and consider such an investment decision in the light of the prospective investor's personal circumstances.

Words and expressions defined elsewhere in this Base Prospectus shall have the same meaning in this section.

Factors that may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued

Each potential investor in the Securities should refer to the Risk Factors section in the Issuer's registration document dated 1 July 2010 (the "**Registration Document**") incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus for a description of those factors which may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued.

Factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Securities issued

The Securities are certificates which entail particular risks

Certificates are investment instruments which, when exercised or terminated pay an amount determined by reference to the level of the underlying currency, commodity, index (including in the case of an index, the index and its constituent elements), stock, bond or other product, subject to the

certificate entitlement. As such, certificates entail the same level of risk as a direct investment in the Underlying. Investors should be aware that their entire investment may be lost in the event that the Underlying is valued at zero. However, investors are able to hold certificates in the expectation of a recovery in the price of the Underlying.

The price at which a Holder will be able to sell certificates may be at a potentially substantial discount to the market value of the certificates at the issue date, if, at such time and in addition to any other factors, the value of the Underlying is below, equal to or not sufficiently above the value of the Underlying at the issue date.

Open end certificates are similar to ordinary certificates, in that they track in a linear manner the Underlying. The difference between an open end certificate and an ordinary certificate is that an open end certificate does not have an expiration date or maturity date but will instead continue indefinitely until either the Holder exercises or the Issuer terminates the certificates.

The spread certificates are leverage type investment instruments, which are not comparable to a direct investment in the underlying assets, because the value of the certificates is linked to the relative performance between two underlying assets comprising a long position in one underlying asset and a short position in another underlying asset. This relative performance is expressed as a percentage rate. Spread certificates contain features including stop-loss, which if breached will result in the early termination of the certificate and issuer automatic call, both of which are based on closing levels of the Underlying.

The Securities may not be a suitable investment for all investors

Each potential investor in the Securities must determine the suitability of that investment in light of its own circumstances. In particular, each potential investor should:

- (a) have sufficient knowledge and experience to make a meaningful evaluation of the Securities, the merits and risks of investing in the Securities and the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus or any applicable Final Terms;
- (b) have access to, and knowledge of, appropriate analytical tools to evaluate, in the context of its particular financial situation, an investment in the Securities and the impact the Securities will have on its overall investment portfolio;
- (c) have sufficient financial resources and liquidity to bear all of the risks of an investment in the Securities, including Securities with principal or other amounts payable in one or more currencies, or where the currency for principal or other payments is different from the potential investor's currency;
- (d) understand thoroughly the terms of the Securities and be familiar with the behaviour of any relevant indices and financial markets; and

- (e) be able to evaluate (either alone or with the help of a financial adviser) possible scenarios for economic, interest rate and other factors that may affect its investment and its ability to bear the applicable risks.

Some Securities are complex financial instruments. Sophisticated institutional investors generally do not purchase complex financial instruments as stand-alone investments. They purchase complex financial instruments as a way to reduce risk or enhance yield with an understood, measured, appropriate addition of risk to their overall portfolios. A potential investor should not invest in Securities which are complex financial instruments unless it has the expertise (either alone or with a financial adviser) to evaluate how the Securities will perform under changing conditions, the resulting effects on the value of the Securities and the impact this investment will have on the potential investor's overall investment portfolio.

The value of the Securities may fluctuate

The value of the Securities may move up and down between their date of purchase and their exercise date or maturity date (as the case may be). Holders may sustain a total loss of their investment (unless the Securities are of a type in which capital is protected). Prospective purchasers should therefore ensure that they understand fully the nature of the Securities before they invest in the Securities.

Several factors, many of which are beyond the Issuer's control, will influence the value of the Securities at any time, including the following:

- (a) *Valuation of the Underlying.* The market price of the Securities at any time is expected to be affected primarily by changes in the level of the Underlying to which such Securities are linked. It is impossible to predict how the level of the relevant Underlying will vary over time. Factors which may have an affect on the value of the Underlying include the rate of return of the Underlying and the financial position and prospects of the issuer of the Underlying or any component thereof. In addition, the level of the Underlying may depend on a number of interrelated factors, including economic, financial and political events and their effect on the capital markets generally and relevant stock exchanges. Potential investors should also note that whilst the market value of the Securities is linked to the relevant Underlying and will be influenced (positively or negatively) by it, any change may not be comparable and may be disproportionate. It is possible that while the Underlying is increasing in value, the value of the Securities may fall. Further, where no market value is available for an Underlying, the Calculation Agent may determine its value to be zero notwithstanding the fact that there may be no Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) and/or no Potential Adjustment Events and/or no De-listing and/or no Fund Event which apply.

- (b) *Interest Rates.* Investments in the Securities may involve interest rate risk with respect to the currency of denomination of the Underlying and/or the Securities. A variety of factors influence interest rates such as macro economic, governmental, speculative and market sentiment factors. Such fluctuations may have an impact on the value of the Securities at any time prior to valuation of the Underlying relating to the Securities.
- (c) *Volatility.* The term “volatility” refers to the actual and anticipated frequency and magnitude of changes of the market price with respect to an Underlying. Volatility is affected by a number of factors such as macro economic factors, speculative trading and supply and demand in the options, futures and other derivatives markets. Volatility of an Underlying will move up and down over time (sometimes more sharply than others) and different Underlyings will most likely have separate volatilities at any particular time.
- (d) *Exchange Rates.* Even where payments in respect of the Securities are not expressly linked to a rate or rates of exchange between currencies, the value of the Securities could, in certain circumstances, be affected by such factors as fluctuations in the rates of exchange between any currency in which any payment in respect of the Securities is to be made and any currency in which the Underlying is traded, appreciation or depreciation of any such currencies and any existing or future governmental or other restrictions on the exchangeability of such currencies. There can be no assurance that rates of exchange between any relevant currencies which are current rates at the date of issue of any Securities will be representative of the relevant rates of exchange used in computing the value of the relevant Securities at any time thereafter. Where Securities are described as being “quantoed”, the value of the Underlying will be converted from one currency (the “**Original Currency**”) into a new currency (the “**New Currency**”) on the date and in the manner specified in, or implied by, the Conditions using a fixed exchange rate. The cost to the Issuer of maintaining such a fixing between the Original Currency and the New Currency will have an implication on the value of the Securities. The implication will vary during the term of the Securities. No assurance can be given as to whether or not, taking into account relative exchange rate and interest rate fluctuations between the Original Currency and the New Currency, a quanto feature in a Security would at any time enhance the return on the Security over a level of a similar security issued without such a quanto feature.
- (e) *Disruption.* If so indicated in the Conditions, the Calculation Agent may determine that a Market Disruption Event (which includes Emerging Market Disruption Events), Fund Event, Potential Adjustment Event and/or De-listing has occurred or exists at a relevant time. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay

settlement in respect of the Securities. Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

- (f) *Creditworthiness.* Any person who purchases the Securities is relying upon the creditworthiness of the Issuer and of RBS Holdings (pursuant to its declaration under Article 2:403 of the Netherlands Civil Code) and has no rights against any other person. The Securities constitute general, unsecured, contractual obligations of the Issuer and of no other person. The Securities rank *pari passu* among themselves.

There may not be a secondary market in the Securities

Potential investors should be willing to hold the Securities through their life. The nature and extent of any secondary market in the Securities cannot be predicted. As a consequence any person intending to hold the Securities should consider liquidity in the Securities as a risk. If the Securities are listed or quoted on an exchange or quotation system this does not imply greater or lesser liquidity than if equivalent Securities were not so listed or quoted. However, if Securities are not listed or quoted there may be a lack of transparency with regard to pricing information. Liquidity may also be affected by legal restrictions on offers for sale in certain jurisdictions. The Issuer may affect the liquidity of the Securities by purchasing and holding the Securities for its own account during trading in the secondary market. Any such Securities may be resold at any time into the market.

The Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion, decide to offer a secondary market in the Securities. In the event that the Issuer elects to offer such secondary market, the Issuer shall be entitled to impose such conditions as it, in its sole and absolute discretion, shall deem fit, including but not limited to:

- (a) providing a large bid/offer spread determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion by reference to the Issuer's own appreciation of the risks involved in providing such secondary market;
- (b) normal market conditions prevailing at such date; and
- (c) limiting the number of Securities in respect of which it is prepared to offer such secondary market.

Holders should note that the imposition of any of the above conditions may severely limit the availability of any such secondary market and may result in Holders receiving significantly less than they otherwise would have received if the Securities were redeemed at maturity. As part of its issuing, market-making and/or trading arrangements, the Issuer may issue more Securities than those which are to be subscribed or purchased by third party investors. The Issuer (or any of its affiliates) may hold such Securities for the purpose of meeting any investor interest in the future. Prospective

investors in the Securities should therefore not regard the issue size of any Series as indicative of the depth or liquidity of the market for such Series, or of the demand for such Series.

In the event that such a secondary market does not develop, it is unlikely that an investor in the Securities will be able to sell his Securities or at prices that will provide him with a yield comparable to similar investments that have a developed secondary market.

Purchasing the Securities as a hedge may not be effective

Any person intending to use the Securities as a hedge instrument should recognise the correlation risk. The Securities may not be a perfect hedge to an Underlying or portfolio of which the Underlying forms a part. In addition, it may not be possible to liquidate the Securities at a level which directly reflects the price of the Underlying or portfolio of which the Underlying forms a part.

Actions taken by the Issuer may affect the value of the Securities

The Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may carry out activities that minimise its and/or their risks related to the Securities, including effecting transactions for their own account or for the account of their customers and hold long or short positions in the Underlying whether for risk reduction purposes or otherwise. In addition, in connection with the offering of any Securities, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may enter into one or more hedging transactions with respect to the Underlying. In connection with such hedging or market-making activities or with respect to proprietary or other trading activities by the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may enter into transactions in the Underlying which may affect the market price, liquidity or value of the Underlying and/or the Securities and which could be deemed to be adverse to the interests of the Holders. The Issuer and/or its affiliates are likely to modify their hedging positions throughout the life of the Securities whether by effecting transactions in the Underlying or in derivatives linked to the Underlying. Further, it is possible that the advisory services which the Issuer and/or its affiliates provide in the ordinary course of its/their business could lead to an adverse impact on the value of the Underlying.

The Issuer may also make adjustments to the Conditions if it determines that an event has occurred which, whilst not a Hedging Disruption Event or other disruption event is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's Hedge Position. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in respect of the Securities.

Holders have no ownership interest in the Underlying

The Securities convey no interest in the Underlying. The Issuer may choose not to hold the Underlying or any derivatives contracts linked to the Underlying. There is no restriction through the issue of the Securities on the ability of the Issuer and/or its affiliates to sell, pledge or otherwise

convey all right, title and interest in any Underlying or any derivatives contracts linked to the Underlying.

Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the Underlying

The Calculation Agent is the agent of the Issuer and not the agent of the Holders or any of them. The Issuer may itself act as the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent will make such adjustments as it considers appropriate as a consequence of certain corporate actions affecting the Underlying. In making these adjustments the Calculation Agent is entitled to exercise substantial discretion and may be subject to conflicts of interest in exercising this discretion. The Calculation Agent is not required to make adjustments with respect to each and every corporate action.

There may be limitations on a Holder's right to exercise the Securities

- (a) *Maximum Exercise Amount.* If so indicated in the Conditions, the Issuer will have the option to limit the number of Securities exercisable on any date (other than the final exercise date) to the maximum number so specified and, in conjunction with such limitation, to limit the number of Securities exercisable by any person or group of persons (whether or not acting in concert) on such date. In the event that the total number of Securities being exercised on any date (other than the final exercise date) exceeds such maximum number and the Issuer has elected to limit the number of Securities exercisable on such date, a holder of Securities may not be able to exercise on such date all the Securities that it desires to exercise. In any such case, the number of Securities to be exercised on such date will be reduced until the total number of Securities exercised on such date no longer exceeds such maximum (unless the Issuer otherwise elects), such Securities being selected as specified in the Conditions. Securities tendered for exercise but not exercised on such date will be automatically exercised on the next date on which Securities may be exercised, subject to the same daily maximum limitation and delayed exercise provisions.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

- (b) *Minimum Exercise Amount.* If so indicated in the Conditions, a Holder may have to tender a specified minimum number of the Securities at any one time in order to exercise the Securities. Thus Holders with fewer than the specified minimum number of such Securities will either have to sell their Securities or purchase additional Securities, incurring transaction costs in each case, in order to realise a return on their investment, and may incur the risk that the trading price of the Securities at that time is different from the applicable Cash Amount (as defined in the Product Conditions).

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

There may be delays in effecting settlement

If the Securities are subject to provisions relating to exercise, then upon their exercise, there will be a time lag between the time a holder of the Securities gives instructions to exercise and the time the applicable Cash Amount relating to such exercise is determined. Any such delay between the time of exercise and the determination of the Cash Amount will be specified in the Conditions. However, such delay could be significantly longer, particularly in the case of a delay in exercise of such Securities arising from, as described above, any daily maximum exercise limitation or, as described above, any delay consequent upon the determination by the Calculation Agent that a Market Disruption Event (which includes Emerging Market Disruption Events) occurred at any relevant time. The applicable Cash Amount could decrease or increase from what it would have been but for such delay.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

If the Securities are subject to provisions concerning delivery of a Notice and such Notice is received by the relevant Clearing Agent, with a copy to the Principal Agent after the latest time specified in the Conditions, it will be deemed to be duly delivered on the next following Business Day. Such deemed delay may increase or decrease the Cash Amount from what it would have been but for such deemed delivery. In the case of Securities which are exercisable on one day only or only during an exercise period any Notice, if not delivered by the latest time specified in the Conditions, shall be void.

The failure to deliver any certifications required by the Conditions could result in the loss or inability to receive amounts or deliveries otherwise due under the Securities.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

Securities not exercised in accordance with the Conditions will (where exercise is required) expire worthless.

Taxes may be payable by investors

Potential purchasers and sellers of the Securities should be aware that they may be required to pay stamp taxes or other documentary charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country where the Securities are transferred. Holders are subject to the provisions of General Condition 9 and payment and/or delivery of any amount due in respect of the Securities will be conditional upon the payment of any Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions.

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt as to their tax position should consult their own independent tax advisers. In addition, potential purchasers should be aware that tax regulations and their application by the relevant taxation authorities change from time to time. Accordingly, it is not possible to predict the precise tax treatment which will apply at any given time.

No tax gross-up

If payments on the Securities are or become subject to a withholding or deduction required by law on account of any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature, the Issuer will make the required withholding or deduction, as the case may be, and neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent nor any other person shall pay any additional amounts to the Holders in respect of such withholding or deduction. Please refer to section “General Condition 9 – Taxation”.

The Securities may be terminated prior to their stated date

If the Issuer determines that the performance of its obligations under the Securities has become illegal or impractical in whole or in part for any reason or the Issuer determines that it is no longer legal or practical for it to maintain its hedging arrangement with respect to the Securities for any reason, the Issuer may at its discretion and without obligation terminate early the Securities. If the Issuer terminates early the Securities, the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay the holder of each such Security an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be its fair market value less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements notwithstanding the illegality or impracticality.

Risks associated with Securities held in global form

The Securities will initially be held by or on behalf of one or more clearing systems specified in the applicable Final Terms (each a “**Relevant Clearing System**”), either in the form of a global bearer Security which will be exchangeable for definitive Securities only in the event of the closure of all Relevant Clearing Systems or in dematerialised form depending on the rules of the Relevant Clearing System. For as long as any Securities are held by or on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System, payments of principal and any other amounts will be made through the Relevant Clearing System, where required, against presentation or surrender (as the case may be) of any relevant global Security and, in the case of a temporary global Security in bearer form, certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership. The risk is that the bearer or the registered holder, as the case may be, of the relevant global Security, typically a depository or a nominee for a depository for the Relevant Clearing System, or, in the case of Securities in dematerialised form, the Relevant Clearing System and not the Holder itself, shall be treated by the Issuer and any Agent (as defined in the Conditions) as the sole holder of the relevant Securities with respect to the payment of principal (if any) and any other amounts payable in respect of the Securities or any securities deliverable in respect of the Securities. Holders therefore

are required to look to the Relevant Clearing System in respect of payments made to it by the Issuer in respect of Securities in global or dematerialised form.

Securities which are held by or on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of the Relevant Clearing System.

Risk associated with nominee arrangements

Where a nominee service provider is used by an investor to hold Securities or such investor holds interests in any Security through accounts with a Relevant Clearing System, such investor will receive payments in respect of principal or any other amounts due, or securities deliverable, as applicable, solely on the basis of the arrangements entered into by the investor with the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System, as the case may be. Furthermore, such investor must rely on the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System to distribute all payments or securities attributable to the relevant Securities which are received from the Issuer. Accordingly, such an investor will be exposed to the credit risk of, and default risk in respect of, the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System, as well as the Issuer.

None of the Issuer or any Agent shall be responsible for the acts or omissions of any relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System nor makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the service provided by any relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System.

The return on an investment in Securities will be affected by charges incurred by investors

An investor's total return on an investment in any Securities will be affected by the level of fees charged by the nominee service provider and/or Relevant Clearing System used by the investor. Such a person or institution may charge fees for the opening and operation of an investment account, transfers of Securities, custody services and on payments of principal and other amounts or delivery of securities. Potential investors are therefore advised to investigate the basis on which any such fees will be charged on the relevant Securities.

Change of law and jurisdiction

The Conditions are based on English law in effect as at the date of this Base Prospectus. No assurance can be given as to the impact of any possible change to English law or administrative practice after the date of this Base Prospectus. Prospective investors in the Securities should note that the courts of England and Wales shall have jurisdiction in respect of any disputes involving the Securities. Holders may, however, take any suit, action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Securities against the Issuer in any court of competent jurisdiction. English law may be materially different from the equivalent law in the home jurisdiction of prospective investors in its application to the Securities.

Credit ratings may not reflect all risks

One or more independent credit rating agencies may assign credit ratings to the Issuer or the Securities. The ratings may not reflect the potential impact of all risks related to structure, market, additional factors discussed above, and other factors that may affect the value of the Securities. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be revised or withdrawn by the rating agency at any time.

Legal investment considerations may restrict certain investments

The investment activities of certain investors are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, or review or regulation by certain authorities. Each potential investor should consult its legal advisers to determine whether and to what extent (i) Securities are legal investments for it, (ii) Securities can be used as collateral for various types of borrowing and (iii) other restrictions apply to its purchase or pledge of any Securities. Financial institutions should consult their legal advisers or the appropriate regulators to determine the appropriate treatment of Securities under any applicable risk-based capital or similar rules.

Modification, waivers and substitution

The Issuer may decide to make modifications to the Securities without the consent of the Holders which may affect the Holders' interest either:

- (a) for the purpose of curing any ambiguity or of curing, correcting or supplementing any manifest error or other defective provision; or
- (b) in any other manner which is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders; or
- (c) for the purpose of the substitution of another company as principal debtor under any Securities in place of the Issuer, in the circumstances described in General Condition 8.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Base Prospectus, as completed and/or amended by the Final Terms. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

ESSENTIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ISSUER

History and incorporation

The origin of RBS N.V. can be traced to the formation of “Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V.” in 1825 pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824. RBS N.V.’s articles of association were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. RBS N.V. is registered in the Commercial Register of Amsterdam under number 33002587. RBS N.V.’s registered office is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RBS Holdings N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Holding N.V.) (“**RBS Holdings**”), which is incorporated as a limited liability company under Dutch law by deed of 30 May 1990. The articles of association of RBS Holdings were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. M.W. Galjaart, a deputy of Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. The registered office of RBS Holdings is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS Holdings owns 100 per cent. of RBS N.V.’s shares and is jointly and severally liable for all our liabilities in respect of the structured products pursuant to a declaration under Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code.

RBS Holdings and the Issuer form part of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group (referred to as the “**Group**”, “**RBS**” or “**RBS Group**”).

Overview

The Issuer is a bank licensed by the Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) a. RBS Group targets the highest possible credit rating for RBS N.V.

The Issuer operates on a significant scale across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), the Americas and Asia. At legal separation from the ABN AMRO group on 1 April 2010 (see the paragraph *Separation from the ABN AMRO group* below), RBS N.V. has a sizeable balance sheet, a significant staff presence and a broad set of products; provided by a sales force operating in approximately 40 countries (reducing over time following intended asset sales or exits of selected network countries). As at 31 December 2009, the RBS acquired businesses within RBS N.V. reported total consolidated assets of €275 billion and had more than 27,000 full time staff through a network of 264 offices and branches.

Headquartered in Edinburgh, the RBS Group operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and internationally through its two principal subsidiaries, RBS Plc and Natwest. Both RBS Plc and Natwest are major United Kingdom clearing banks whose origins go back over 275 years. In the United States, RBS Group's subsidiary Citizens is a large commercial banking organization. RBS Group has a large and diversified customer base and provides a wide range of products and services to personal, commercial and large corporate and institutional customers.

Group Organisational Structure

RBS N.V. comprises the following core businesses:

- Global Banking & Markets: Global Lending, Equities, Short Term Markets & Funding, and Local Markets;
- Global Transaction Services: Global Trade Finance, Transaction Banking and International Cash Management; and
- Risk & Restructuring: The Non-Core Division in Risk & Restructuring contains assets that are no longer core to RBS Group's strategic objectives and include Trading, Wholesale Banking and Retail & Commercial Business Units, as well as selected network countries. The assets will reduce over time through wind-down, sale or transfer.

These RBS N.V. businesses are part of global business units in the RBS Group that operate across multiple legal entities. The strategy of RBS N.V. is part of the overall businesses' strategies of the RBS Group.

Separation from the ABN AMRO group

On 17 October 2007 85.6 per cent. of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was acquired through RFS Holdings B.V. ("**RFS Holdings**"), a company incorporated by a consortium consisting of the RBS, Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV ("**Fortis**") and Banco Santander S.A. each a "**Consortium Member**".

On 3 October 2008, the State of the Netherlands ("**Dutch State**") acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

RBS and the Dutch State agreed that the Dutch State acquired businesses would be legally separated from the residual RBS acquired businesses into a new bank.

Legal demerger and legal separation process

On 30 September 2009 ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that a two-step approach would be taken to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – “**Legal Demerger**” Transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (the “**Demerging Company**”) to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the “**Acquiring Company**”). Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company was to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The Acquiring Company, comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses, was to then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Legal Demerger and the consequent name changes were successfully effected on 6th February 2010.

Step 2 – “**Legal Separation**”: Transfer of the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Following the transfer of the shares in ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to a new holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was to be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.

The Legal Separation and the consequent name change were successfully effected on 1 April 2010.

Following Legal Separation, the Issuer’s activities continue to be subject to Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) and the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) supervision and on a consolidated basis as part of the RBS Group subject to UK Financial Services Authority supervision. Due to the change in the operating model of RBS N.V. compared to pre-acquisition ABN AMRO Bank N.V. a licence renewal has been granted by the Dutch Central Bank on 3 February 2010.

Following Legal Separation a new managing board and supervisory board of RBS N.V. were appointed.

Issued Financial Instruments on the Issuer’s securities

At the time hereof, there are no convertible bonds or options on the issuer's securities (including employee options) outstanding which have been issued by the Issuer or by group companies of the Issuer.

Equity Securities

All the Issuer's ordinary shares are held by RBS Holdings N.V. and are not listed or traded.

DOCUMENT INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The Issuer's registration document dated 1 July 2010 (the "**Registration Document**") prepared in accordance with Article 5(3) of the Prospectus Directive which has been (1) previously published or is published simultaneously with this Base Prospectus and (2) filed with the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) in its capacity as competent authority under the Act on Financial Supervision (*Wet op het financieel toezicht (Wft) 2007*) (the "**Competent Authority**") shall, together with the documents incorporated therein, be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus.

Accordingly, the following documents which have previously been published or are published simultaneously with this Base Prospectus and have been filed with the AFM shall, among other documents incorporated into the Registration Document by reference, be deemed to be incorporated in, and to form part of, this Base Prospectus:

- a) the publicly available consolidated financial statements of RBS Holdings in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2009, 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2007 respectively and the auditor's reports for the respective years, as included in the annual report for those financial years;
- b) the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information relating to RBS Holdings N.V. for the year ended 31 December 2009 as included in the press release announcing completion of the legal separation dated 1 April 2010
- c) the Articles of Association (*statuten*) of each of RBS Holdings and RBS N.V. as in force and effect on the date of this prospectus;
- d) the terms of reference of the Audit Committee as set out in the Rules Governing the Supervisory Board's Principles and Best Practices dated 29 April 2010;
- e) the publicly available press release in connection with the RBS Holdings N.V. first quarter 2010 financial results, dated 9 June 2010; and
- f) the publicly available interim report in connection with the RBS Holding N.V. financial results of the first half year of 2010, published on 31 August 2010.

The Registration Document and copies of all documents incorporated by reference as mentioned above, are accessible at <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive> and can be obtained, on request, free of

charge, by writing or telephoning, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group Investor Relations, 280 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 207 672 1758, email investor.relations@rbs.com or at the registered office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom.

The Issuer will in the event of any significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to the information included in this Base Prospectus which is capable of affecting the assessment of any Securities, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus for use in connection with any subsequent issue of Securities.

MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

Save as disclosed in this document and/or the documents incorporated by reference herein, there has been no significant change in the financial position of the Issuer since 31st December 2009. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer since 31st December 2009 other than as disclosed in this LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference herein.

TAXATION

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt about their tax position on purchase, ownership, transfer, exercise or non-exercise of any Security should consult their professional tax advisers.

1. GENERAL

Purchasers of Securities may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws of practices of the country of purchase in addition to the issue or purchase price of each Security.

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty or other payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Securities.

The Purchasers should be aware that tax treatment depends on the individual circumstances of each client and may be subject to change in the future.

2. EU SAVINGS DIRECTIVE

Under EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income, Member States are required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest (or similar income) paid by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual resident in that other Member State or to certain limited types of entities established in that other Member State. However, for a transitional period, Luxembourg and Austria are instead required (unless during that period they elect otherwise) to operate a withholding system in relation to such payments (the ending of such transitional period being dependent upon the conclusion of certain other agreements relating to information exchange with certain other countries). A number of non-EU countries and territories including Switzerland have adopted similar measures (a withholding system in the case of Switzerland).

On 15 September 2008 the European Commission issued a report to the Council of the European Union on the operation of the Directive, which included the Commission's advice on the need for changes to the Directive. On 13 November 2008 the European Commission published a more detailed proposal for amendments to the Directive, which included a number of suggested changes. The European Parliament approved an amended version of this proposal on 24 April 2009. If any of the proposed changes are made in relation to the Directive, they may amend or broaden the scope of the requirements described above.

3. THE NETHERLANDS

General

The following summary outlines the principal Netherlands tax consequences of the acquisition, holding, settlement, redemption and disposal of the Securities, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all Netherlands tax considerations in relation thereto. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Securities.

This summary is based on tax legislation, published case law, treaties, regulations and published policy, in each case as in force as of the date of this Base Prospectus, and does not take into account any developments or amendments thereof after that date whether or not such developments or amendments have retroactive effect.

This summary does not address the Netherlands tax consequences for:

- (i) holders of Securities holding a substantial interest (*aanmerkelijk belang*) or deemed substantial interest (*fictief aanmerkelijk belang*) in the Issuer and holders of Securities of whom a certain related person holds a substantial interest in the Issuer. Generally speaking, a substantial interest in the Issuer arises if a person, alone or, where such person is an individual, together with his or her partner (statutory defined term), directly or indirectly, holds (i) an interest of 5% or more of the total issued capital of the Issuer or of 5% or more of the issued capital of a certain class of shares of the Issuer, (ii) rights to acquire, directly or indirectly, such interest or (iii) certain profit sharing rights in the Issuer;
- (ii) investment institutions (*fiscale beleggingsinstellingen*); and
- (iii) pension funds, exempt investment institutions (*vrijgestelde beleggingsinstellingen*) or other entities that are exempt from Netherlands corporate income tax.

Where this summary refers to a holder of Securities, such reference is restricted to a holder holding legal title to as well as an economic interest in such Securities.

Withholding Tax

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities may be made free of withholding or deduction for any taxes of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld or assessed by the Netherlands or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein provided that the Securities do not in fact function as equity of the Issuer within the meaning of article 10,

paragraph 1, under d of the Netherlands corporate income tax act 1969 (*Wet op de vennootschapsbelasting 1969*).

Corporate and Individual Income Tax

Residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes and is fully subject to Netherlands corporate income tax or is only subject to Netherlands corporate income tax in respect of an enterprise to which the Securities are attributable, income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Securities are generally taxable in the Netherlands (at up to a maximum rate of 25.5%).

If an individual holder is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (including an individual holder who has opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Securities are taxable at the progressive rates (at up to a maximum rate of 52%) under the Netherlands income tax act 2001 (*Wet inkomstenbelasting 2001*), if:

- (i) the holder is an entrepreneur (*ondernemer*) and has an enterprise to which the Securities are attributable or the holder has, other than as a shareholder, a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise (*medegerechtigde*), to which enterprise the Securities are attributable; or
- (ii) such income or gains qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*), which include the performance of activities with respect to the Securities that exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*).

If neither condition (i) nor condition (ii) applies to the holder of the Securities, taxable income with regard to the Securities must be determined on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (*sparen en beleggen*), rather than on the basis of income actually received or gains actually realised. This deemed return on income from savings and investments has been fixed at a rate of 4% of the average of the individual's yield basis (*rendementsgrondslag*) at the beginning of the calendar year and the individual's yield basis at the end of the calendar year, insofar as the average exceeds a certain threshold. The average of the individual's yield basis is determined as the fair market value of certain qualifying assets held by the holder of the Securities less the fair market value of certain qualifying liabilities on 1 January and 31 December, divided by two. The fair market value of the Securities will be

included as an asset in the individual's yield basis. The 4% deemed return on income from savings and investments will be taxed at a rate of 30%.

Non-residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is not a resident nor is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (or has not opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), such holder is not taxable in respect of income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the settlement, redemption or disposal of the Securities, unless:

- (i) the holder is not an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Securities are attributable, or (2) is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise or a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise, which is effectively managed in the Netherlands (other than by way of securities) and to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

This income is subject to Netherlands corporate income tax at up to a maximum rate of 25.5%.

- (ii) the holder is an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise or an interest in an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Securities are attributable, or (2) realises income or gains with respect to the Securities that qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*) in the Netherlands, which activities include the performance of activities in the Netherlands with respect to the Securities which exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*), or (3) is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise which is effectively managed in the Netherlands (other than by way of securities) and to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

Income derived from the Securities as specified under (1) and (2) is subject to individual income tax at up to a maximum rate of 52%. Income derived from a share in the profits as specified under (3) that is not already included under (1) or (2) will be taxed on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (as described above under "Residents of the Netherlands"). The fair market value of the share in the profits of the enterprise (which includes the Securities) will be part of the individual's Netherlands yield basis.

Gift and Inheritance Tax

Residents of the Netherlands

Generally, gift and inheritance tax will be due in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Securities by way of a gift by, or on the death of, a holder that is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax at the time of the gift or his or her death.

A holder of Dutch nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift and inheritance tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands and dies or makes a donation within ten years after leaving the Netherlands. A holder of any other nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands and makes a donation within a twelve months period after leaving the Netherlands. The same twelve-month rule may apply to entities that have transferred their seat of residence out of the Netherlands.

Non-residents of the Netherlands

No gift or inheritance taxes will arise in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Securities by way of a gift by, or as a result of, the death of a holder that is neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax, unless in the case of a gift of the Securities by a holder who at the date of the gift was neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands, such holder dies within 180 days after the date of the gift, and at the time of his or her death is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands.

Value Added Tax

In general, no value added tax will arise in respect of payments in consideration for the issue of the Securities or in respect of a cash payment made under the Securities, or in respect of a transfer of Securities.

Other Taxes and Duties

No registration tax, customs duty, transfer tax, stamp duty or any other similar documentary tax or duty will be payable in the Netherlands by a holder in respect of or in connection with the subscription, issue, placement, allotment, delivery or transfer of the Securities.

4. UNITED KINGDOM

The following applies only to persons who are the beneficial owners of the Securities and is a summary of the Issuer's understanding of current United Kingdom tax law and United Kingdom HM Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") practice relating only to certain aspects of United Kingdom taxation. It does not deal with any other United Kingdom taxation implications of acquiring, holding or disposing of Securities. Some aspects do not apply to certain classes of persons (such as persons carrying on a trade of dealing in Securities and persons connected with the Issuer) to whom special rules may apply. The United Kingdom tax treatment of prospective Holders of Securities depends on their individual circumstances and may be subject to change in the future. The precise tax treatment of a Holder of Securities will depend for each issue on the terms of the Securities, as specified in the Conditions of the Securities. Prospective Holders of Securities who may be subject to tax in a jurisdiction other than the United Kingdom or who may be unsure as to their tax position should seek their own professional advice. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Securities.

Withholding Tax

Securities issued otherwise than through the Issuer's London branch

Payments of interest on these Securities may be made without withholding on account of United Kingdom income tax.

Securities issued by the Issuer's London branch

Payments made in respect of the Securities may be made without deduction or withholding for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where such payments are not regarded as either interest or annual payments for United Kingdom tax purposes.

Even if such payments were to be regarded as interest or annual payments for United Kingdom tax purposes, the Issuer should not be required to withhold or deduct sums for or on account of United Kingdom income tax from payments made in respect of the Securities provided that the Securities are derivative contracts, the profits and losses arising from which are calculated in accordance with the provisions of Part 7 of the Corporation Tax Act 2009 (which broadly they should be provided that they are derivatives for the purposes of FRS25 (or International Accounting Standard 32) and are not excluded for the purposes of Part 7 of that Act by virtue of their underlying subject matter).

If interest payable on the Securities or if payments made in respect of the Securities were to be regarded as interest for United Kingdom tax purposes, provided that the Issuer's London branch is and continues to be a bank within the meaning of section 991 of the Income Tax Act 2007 (the "ITA 2007"), such payments may be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where the interest is paid in the ordinary course of the Issuer's London branch's business within the meaning of section 878 ITA 2007.

Payments of interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be made without deduction of or withholding for or on account of United Kingdom income tax if the Securities are and continue to be listed on a "recognised stock exchange", as defined in section 1005 of the ITA 2007. The Euronext Amsterdam is a recognised stock exchange. The Securities will therefore satisfy this requirement if they are (a) officially listed in the Netherlands in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in EEA states and are admitted to trading on the Euronext Amsterdam, or (b) admitted to trading on another "recognised stock exchange" and officially listed in a country in which there is a "recognised stock exchange" in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in EEA states. Provided, therefore, that the Securities are and remain so listed, interest on the Securities will be payable without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax whether or not the Issuer's London branch carries on a banking business in the United Kingdom and whether or not the interest is paid in the ordinary course of its business.

Interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where interest on or in respect of the Securities is paid by a company and, at the time the payment is made, the Issuer's London branch reasonably believes (and any person by or through whom interest on the Securities is paid reasonably believes) that the beneficial owner is within the charge to United Kingdom corporation tax as regards the payment of interest; provided that HMRC has not given a direction (in circumstances where it has reasonable grounds to believe that the above exemption is not available in respect of such payment of interest at the time the payment is made) that the interest should be paid under deduction of tax.

Interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where the maturity of the Securities is less than 365 days and those Securities do not form part of a scheme or arrangement of borrowing intended to be capable of remaining outstanding for more than 364 days.

In other cases, an amount must generally be withheld from payments of interest on or in respect of Securities issued by the Issuer's London branch on account of United Kingdom income tax at the basic rate (currently 20 per cent.). However, where an applicable double tax

treaty provides for a lower rate of withholding tax (or for no tax to be withheld) in relation to a Holder of the Securities, HMRC can issue a notice to the Issuer's London branch to pay interest to the Holder of the Securities without deduction of tax (or for interest to be paid with tax deducted at the rate provided for in the relevant double tax treaty).

UK Information Gathering Powers

Irrespective of whether the Securities are issued by the Issuer's London branch, Holders of the Securities may wish to note that, in certain circumstances, HMRC has power to obtain information (including the name and address of the beneficial owner of the interest) from any person in the United Kingdom who either pays or credits interest to or receives interest for the benefit of a Holder of the Securities. HMRC also has power, in certain circumstances, to obtain information from any person in the United Kingdom who pays amounts payable on the redemption of Securities (which are deeply discounted securities for the purposes of the Income Tax (Trading and Other Income) Act 2005) to or receives such amounts for the benefit of another person, although HMRC published practice indicates that HMRC will not exercise the power referred to above to require this information in respect of amounts payable on the redemption of deeply discounted securities where such amounts are paid on or before 5 April 2011. Such information may include the name and address of the beneficial owner of the amount payable on redemption. Any information obtained may, in certain circumstances, be exchanged by HMRC with the tax authorities of the jurisdiction in which the Holder of the Securities is resident for tax purposes.

Stamp Taxes

For the purposes of the following paragraphs, "**Exempt Loan Capital**" means any security which constitutes loan capital ("**Loan Capital**") for the purposes of section 78 of the Finance Act 1986 ("**FA 1986**") and: (a) does not carry rights to acquire shares or securities (by way of exchange, conversion or otherwise) that are not Exempt Loan Capital; (b) has not carried and does not carry a right to interest the amount of which exceeds a reasonable commercial return on the nominal amount of the relevant security; (c) has not carried and does not carry a right to interest the amount of which falls or has fallen to be determined to any extent by reference to the results of, or any part of, a business or to the value of any property; and (d) has not carried and does not carry a right to a premium which is not reasonably comparable with amounts payable on securities listed on the London Stock Exchange.

Stamp duty on the issue of Securities

In relation to Securities in bearer form which are denominated in sterling and which are not Loan Capital, a charge to United Kingdom stamp duty at 1.5 per cent. of the value of such Securities may arise if issued in the United Kingdom. No stamp duty liability will arise on

the issue of such Securities if issued outside the United Kingdom. However, in relation to Securities of that kind originally issued outside the United Kingdom, on the first transfer by delivery in the United Kingdom of any such Security a stamp duty liability at 1.5 per cent. of the value of such Security may arise. Furthermore, the issue of a Security which has characteristics of an option or any instrument granting such a Security may be subject to United Kingdom stamp duty. However, no stamp duty liability will arise on the issue or transfer of such Securities which constitute an interest in, a right to an allotment of or to subscribe for, or an option to acquire or to dispose of Exempt Loan Capital.

Stamp duty on the transfer of Securities

No United Kingdom stamp duty should be required to be paid on transfers of Securities on sale provided no instrument of transfer is used to complete such sales.

An instrument transferring a Security on sale of the Security which is executed in the United Kingdom or which (if not executed in the United Kingdom) relates to any matter or thing done or to be done in the United Kingdom may be subject to stamp duty at a rate of 0.5 per cent. of the consideration paid for the Securities if the Securities are either not Loan Capital and do not constitute an interest in, a right to an allotment of or to subscribe for, or an option to acquire or to dispose of Exempt Loan Capital or are Loan Capital but are not Exempt Loan Capital.

Stamp duty reserve tax (“SDRT”) on the issue of Securities to a Clearance Service

No SDRT should be payable in relation to the issue of a Security to any person providing a clearance service, or a nominee for any such person, within the meaning of section 96 FA 1986 (a “**Clearance Service**”) unless the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of shares which are paired with shares (which are not “newly subscribed shares” as defined in section 99(12) FA 1986) issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

Except where an election has been made under which the alternative system of charge as provided for in section 97A FA 1986 (a “**s97A Election**”) applies, SDRT at a rate of 1.5 per cent may be payable on the issue or transfer of a Security to a Clearance Service where the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of shares which are paired with shares (which are not “newly subscribed shares” as defined in section 99(12) FA 1986) issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

The ECJ has found in C-569/07 HSBC Holdings plc and Vidacos Nominees Ltd v The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs (Case C-569/07) that the 1.5 per cent. charge is contrary to EU Community Law where shares are issued to a clearance system. HMRC has subsequently indicated that it will not levy the charge on shares issued to a clearance system within the EU. It is not clear the extent to which this decision applies to the Securities or the way in which any change in legislation or HMRC practice in response to this decision may alter the position outlined above.

SDRT on the transfer of Securities held within a Clearance Service

SDRT should generally not be payable in relation to an agreement to transfer a Security held within a Clearance Service provided that no s97A Election has been made.

SDRT on the transfer of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made

In the case of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or Securities held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made, no SDRT should be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer a Security unless the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of either: (i) stocks, shares or loan capital for the purposes of section 99(3) FA 1986 which are not Exempt Loan Capital and which are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom; or (ii) shares which are paired with shares issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom, unless (in either case) that Security is in bearer form.

In the case of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or Securities held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made, SDRT should generally be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer a Security where the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of either: (i) stocks, shares or loan capital for the purposes of section 99(3) FA 1986 which are not Exempt Loan Capital and which are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom; or (ii) shares which are paired with shares issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom, unless (in either case) that Security is in bearer form. SDRT would be payable at a rate of 0.5 per cent. of the consideration given under an agreement to transfer such Securities, unless the transfer is to a depositary for a Clearance Service or to a person issuing depositary receipts (or to an agent or nominee of such a person) where SDRT may be payable at a rate of 1.5 per cent..

Stamp duty and SDRT on the exercise or redemption of the Securities

Stamp duty and SDRT may also be payable on the transfer of an asset on physical settlement of the Securities.

5. LUXEMBOURG

The following summary is of a general nature and is included herein solely for information purposes. It is based on the laws presently in force in Luxembourg, though it is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice. Prospective investors in the Securities should therefore consult their own professional advisers as to the effects of state, local or foreign laws, including Luxembourg tax law, to which they may be subject.

TAXATION OF THE HOLDERS OF SECURITIES

Withholding Tax

(i) Non-resident holders of Securities

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the laws of 21 June 2005 (the “**Laws**”) mentioned below, there is no withholding tax on payments of principal, premium or interest made to non-resident holders of Securities, nor on accrued but unpaid interest in respect of the Securities, nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of the Securities held by non-resident holders of Securities.

Under the Laws implementing the Council Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments and ratifying the treaties entered into by Luxembourg and certain dependent and associated territories of EU Member States (the “**Territories**”), payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the immediate benefit of an individual beneficial owner or a residual entity, as defined by the Laws, which is resident of, or established in, an EU Member State (other than Luxembourg) or one of the Territories will be subject to a withholding tax unless the relevant recipient has adequately instructed the relevant paying agent to provide details of the relevant payments of interest or similar income to the fiscal authorities of his/her/its country of residence or establishment, or, in the case of an individual beneficial owner, has provided a tax certificate issued by the fiscal authorities of his/her country of residence in the required format to the relevant paying agent. Where withholding tax is applied, it is currently levied at a rate of 20 per cent. and will be levied at a rate of 35 per cent. as of 1 July 2011. Responsibility for the withholding of the tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent. Payments of interest under the Securities coming within the scope of the Laws would at present be subject to withholding tax of 20 per cent.

(ii) Resident holders of Securities

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the law of 23 December 2005 as amended (the “**Law**”) mentioned below, there is no withholding tax on payments of principal, premium or interest made to Luxembourg resident holders of Securities, nor on accrued but unpaid interest in respect of Securities, nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of Securities held by Luxembourg resident holders of Securities.

Under the Law payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the benefit of an individual beneficial owner who is resident of Luxembourg will be subject to a withholding tax of 10%. Such withholding tax will be in full discharge of income tax if the beneficial owner is an individual acting in the course of the management of his/her private wealth. Responsibility for the withholding of the tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent. Payments of interest under the Securities coming within the scope of the Law would be subject to withholding tax of 10 per cent.

6. Switzerland

The following is a general summary of the Issuer’s understanding of certain Swiss tax consequences in relation to dealings in the Securities according to the currently valid Swiss tax laws and the Swiss tax authorities’ practice as of the date of publication of the LaunchPAD programme. This outline is a summary and not exhaustive and does not take into consideration possible special circumstances of some investors. Tax laws and the tax authorities’ practice may undergo changes (or their interpretation or application may change) and their validity might also be retroactive.

Potential investors should consult their own tax advisors, legal advisers or financial consultants regarding their personal tax situation when entering into transactions with reference to the Securities.

- (a) **General Information.** The Swiss tax treatment of notes, bonds and other financial instruments are primarily regulated pursuant to the conditions set forth in the Circular Letter no. 15 of the Federal Tax Administration regarding the treatment of Bonds and Derivatives Financial Instruments for the purpose of the Federal Income Tax, Federal Withholding Tax and Federal Stamp Duties, as published on 7 February 2007. These rules are usually also applied by the Cantonal and Communal tax authorities. It should be noted that the Swiss tax terms “notes” and “bonds” are not consistent with the corresponding terms stipulated by Swiss security laws and the international or foreign understanding of such terms.

- (b) **Swiss Stamp Taxes.** The issuance of Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer is in general not subject to the Swiss Issue Stamp Tax (“**Emissionsabgabe**”). Secondary market transactions of Securities which are considered as (debt) financing instruments, share-like products, fund-like products and Low Exercise Price Options (LEPO) on shares with maturity more than one year and the issuance of fund-like Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer are subject to the Swiss Securities Transfer Tax, provided that a Swiss securities dealer (“**Effekthändler**”), as defined in art. 13 para. 3 of the Swiss Federal Act on Stamp Duties (“**Stempelabgabengesetz**”), is a party to the Securities transaction or acts as an intermediary thereto. Certain exemptions may, inter alia, apply with regard to institutional investors such as mutual funds, life insurance companies and social security institutions. Pure derivatives for Swiss tax purposes like options and futures do normally not classify as taxable securities and are therefore not subject to Swiss Issue Stamp Tax and Swiss Securities Transfer Tax. If upon the exercise or redemption of a Security an underlying security is delivered to the holder of the Security, the transfer of the underlying security may be subject to Swiss Securities Transfer Tax.
- (c) **Swiss Withholding Tax.** Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer are in general not subject to Swiss withholding tax. Payments or credit of (deemed) interest or dividends on a Security issued by a Swiss resident issuer may be subject to Swiss federal withholding tax at a rate of 35 %. This may apply likewise to payments or credits of yield from Securities which classify for tax purposes as fund-like products. The holder of a Security who is resident in Switzerland may be entitled to a full refund of or a full tax credit for the Swiss federal withholding tax, subject to conditions being met. A non Swiss resident holder of a Security may be able to claim a full or partial refund of the Swiss federal withholding tax if such a holder is entitled to claim benefits with regard to such a payment of a double taxation treaty between Switzerland and his or her country of residence.
- (d) **Swiss Income Tax Treatment for Securities Held by Private Investors (Individuals) with Tax Residence in Switzerland as Part of their Private Assets.** Payments or credits received by a holder of a Security, which are considered in a Swiss tax perspective as dividends or interests, are subject to income tax. Gains or losses realised upon a sale or other disposition by individuals with tax residence in Switzerland holding a Security as part of their private assets (private capital gain or losses) are in general not subject to Swiss Income Tax and are not deductible from taxable income respectively. However, capital gains may be subject to income

taxation, if a Security qualifies as predominant one-time interest paying bond. Also gains or losses realised by buying or selling of pure derivatives for Swiss tax purposes (options and futures) are not subject to income tax as they are considered as tax-exempt capital gains or losses. Whether a Security generates taxable income (dividend and interest) or tax-exempt capital gains is depending on certain features of the Security (1-delta pay-off, reverse convertible, guaranteed coupon payments or capital protection etc.), on the underlying of the Security and on the maturity of the Security. Some Securities may be divided into taxable bonds and a tax-exempt option (or combinations of options) provided that the Security is, for Swiss tax purposes, made transparent by the issuer. A Security is considered transparent if the value on issuance of its bond and its option components can be determined separately. Under the condition of transparency, the option premium paid by the issuer is exempt from income taxation (where otherwise applicable); taxation is limited to the interest of the bond part which would have been paid for an investment in a comparable straight bond of the same issuer with a similar term and the same currency at market conditions. If the interest part of the Security is paid as a one-time compensation, the so-called “modifizierte Differenzbesteuerung” may apply in each case of pre-maturity sale or redemption of the Security. If a Security is not made transparent for Swiss tax purposes (only if the security needs to be transparent for Swiss tax purposes) the total payment to the investor (except the repayment of the invested capital) could be considered as taxable income.

- (e) **Swiss Income Tax Treatment for Securities Held by Swiss Resident Entities or Individuals as Part of Business Assets.** Income of any kind realised from Securities as part of business assets of individuals (including deemed securities dealers for Swiss tax purposes) or entities in Switzerland are subject to personal income tax or corporate income tax respectively as part of their overall net income.
- (f) **Wealth Taxation of Securities Held by Private Investors (Individuals) with Tax Residence in Switzerland.** The market value of the Securities may be subject to wealth tax levied on overall net wealth of individuals with tax residence in Switzerland, regardless of whether the Securities are held as part of their private or business assets.
- (g) **EU Savings Tax.** On 26 October 2004, the European Community and Switzerland entered into an agreement on the taxation of savings income pursuant to which Switzerland adopts measures equivalent to those of the European Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on the taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments. The agreement came into force as of 1 July 2005. On the basis of this

agreement, Switzerland introduced a withholding tax on interest payments and other similar income paid by a paying agent within Switzerland to an individual resident in an EU member state. The withholding tax is withheld at a rate of 15 % for the first three years beginning with 1 July 2005, 20 % for the next three years and 35 % thereafter, with the option of such an individual to have the paying agent and Switzerland provide to the tax authorities of the Member State details of the payments in lieu of the withholding. The beneficial owner of the interest payments may be entitled to a tax credit or refund of the withholding, if any, provided that that certain conditions are met. Securities issued under this programme may be subject to EU Savings Tax. The qualification regarding “in scope” or “out of scope” of the EU Savings Tax is depending on certain features of the Security and on the underlying of the Security.

SELLING RESTRICTIONS

The statements which follow are of a general nature. Potential purchasers in each jurisdiction must ensure that they are able validly to take delivery of the Securities and any assets into which they may convert or be settled. Additional certifications may be required by the Issuer and/or any clearance system at the time of exercise and/or settlement.

1. GENERAL

No action has been or will be taken by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuer.

2. PUBLIC OFFER SELLING RESTRICTION UNDER THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a “**Relevant Member State**”), the Issuer represents and agrees that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the “**Relevant Implementation Date**”) it has not made and will not make an offer of Securities which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Base Prospectus as completed by the final terms in relation thereto to the public in that Relevant Member State except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of Securities to the public in that Relevant Member State:

- (a) if the final terms in relation to the Securities specify that an offer of those Securities may be made other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State (a “**Non-exempt Offer**”), following the date of publication of a prospectus in relation to such Securities which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State provided that any such prospectus has subsequently been completed by the final terms contemplating such Non-exempt Offer, in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, in the period beginning and ending on the dates specified in such prospectus or final terms, as applicable;

- (b) at any time to legal entities which are authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorised or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;
- (c) at any time to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than €43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts;
- (d) at any time to fewer than 100 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive); or
- (e) at any time in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive;

provided that no such offer of Securities referred to in (b) to (e) above shall require the Issuer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “**offer of Securities to the public**” in relation to any Securities in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Securities, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression “**Prospectus Directive**” means Directive 2003/71/EC and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

3. THE NETHERLANDS

Securities which qualify as savings certificates as defined in the Savings Certificates Act (“*Wet inzake spaarbewijzen*”) may only be transferred or accepted through the mediation of either the Issuer or an admitted institution of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. with due observance of the Savings Certificates Act and its implementing regulations (including registration requirements), provided that no mediation is required in respect of:

- (a) the initial issue of those Securities to the first holders thereof;
- (b) any transfer and delivery by individuals who do not act in the conduct of a profession or trade; and
- (c) the issue and trading of those Securities, if they are physically issued outside The Netherlands and are not distributed in The Netherlands in the course of primary trading or immediately thereafter.

4. UNITED STATES

No Securities of any Series have been, or will be, registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), and trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “**CFTC**”) under the United States Commodity Exchange Act as amended the (the “**CEA**”). No Securities of any Series, or interests therein, may at any time be offered, sold, resold or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person.

Offers, sales, resales or deliveries of Securities of any Series, or interests therein, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of U.S. persons would constitute a violation of United States securities laws unless made in compliance with the registration requirements of the Securities Act or pursuant to an exemption therefrom. In addition, in the absence of relief from the CFTC, offers, sales, resales, trades or deliveries of Securities, or interests therein, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, may constitute a violation of United States law governing commodities trading.

Securities having a maturity of more than one year will be issued in compliance with U.S. Treas. Reg. §1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(C) (the “**C Rules**”). Securities having a maturity of one year or less are not subject to the C Rules and will be referred to in the relevant Final Terms as a transaction to which the C Rules are not applicable.

The Securities subject to the C Rules may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States, except in certain transactions permitted by U.S. tax regulations. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder.

The Issuer will require each dealer participating in the distribution of Securities subject to the C Rules to agree that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver, directly or indirectly, the Securities in the United States or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States. Further, the Issuer and each dealer to which it sells the Securities will represent and agree that in connection with the original issuance of such Securities that it has not communicated, and will not communicate, directly or indirectly, with a prospective purchaser if such purchaser is within the United States and will not otherwise involve its U.S. office in the offer or sale of such Securities. The terms used in the preceding sentence (and not otherwise defined below) have the meanings given to them by the Code and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder, including the C Rules.

As used herein, “**United States**” means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia), its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction; and “**U.S. person**” means (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation, a partnership or other entity organized in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (iii) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (iv) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (v) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (ii) above; (vi) any entity organized principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (i) to (v) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the CFTC’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (vii) any other “U.S. Person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act or in regulations adopted under the CEA.

Notice to purchasers and holders of restricted securities and transfer restrictions

Each purchaser of Securities will, by its purchase of such Securities, be deemed to acknowledge, represent and agree as follows:

- (a) that trading in the Securities has not been and will not be approved by the CFTC under the CEA;
- (b) that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver, directly or indirectly, any Securities of such Series so purchased in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (c) that it is not purchasing any Securities of such Series for the account or benefit of any U.S. person;
- (d) that it will not make offers, sales, resales or deliveries of any Securities of such Series (otherwise acquired), directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (e) that it will send each person who purchases any Securities of such issue from it a written confirmation (which shall include the definitions of United States and U.S. person set forth herein) stating that the Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act,

that trading in the Securities has not been approved by the CFTC under the CEA and stating that such purchaser agrees that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver any of such Securities, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;

- (f) that no U.S. person or person in the United States may at any time trade or maintain a position in the instruments and that a person entitled to receive an interim payment or exercising (or entitled to receive any amount at maturity or exercise under) the instrument will be required to certify that neither it nor the beneficial owner of the instrument is a U.S. person or is located in the United States;
- (g) that any person exercising a Security will be required to represent that it is not a U.S. person; and
- (h) if it is outside the United States and is not a U.S. person, that if it should resell or otherwise transfer the Securities prior to the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, it will do so only (a) outside the United States in compliance with Rule 903 or 904 under the Securities Act and (b) in accordance with all applicable United States state securities laws; and it acknowledges that the Regulation S Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by the Issuer:

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

5. UNITED KINGDOM

The Issuer represents, warrants and agrees that it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "FSMA")) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Securities in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA would not, if the Issuer was not an authorised person, apply to the Issuer and it has complied and will

comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to any Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

6. INDIA

Any purchase of the Securities relating to or linked to securities listed on a stock exchange in India or indices that reference such securities should be made on the understanding that the purchaser shall be deemed to acknowledge, represent, warrant and undertake to the Group that:

- (a) it consents to the provision by the Group to any Indian governmental or regulatory authority of any information regarding it and its dealings in the Securities as required under applicable Indian regulations and/or as requested by any Indian governmental or regulatory authority;
- (b) it agrees to promptly provide to the Group, or directly to the relevant Indian governmental or regulatory authority (and confirm to the Group when it has done so), such additional information that the Group deems necessary or appropriate in order for the Group to comply with any such regulations and/or requests;
- (c) the Securities are not being purchased for the account of or pursuant to or in connection with any back-to-back transaction with: (i) a Person Resident in India as the term is used in the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999; or (ii) a “Non-Resident Indian”, a “Person of Indian Origin” or an “Overseas Corporate Body”, as such terms are used in the Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) Regulations 2000 as notified by the Reserve Bank of India; or (iii) any entity or person that is not regulated (as such term is used in the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Institutional Investors Amendment) Regulations, 2004) (each, a “Restricted Entity”) or a nominee of a Restricted Entity;
- (d) it is not a Restricted Entity or a nominee of a Restricted Entity;
- (e) it will not, directly or indirectly, sell, transfer, assign, novate or otherwise dispose of the Securities to or for the account of any Restricted Entity or to any nominee of any Restricted Entity; and
- (f) any sale, transfer, assignment, novation or other disposal of the Securities by it, whether direct or indirect, will be subject to the acquiring entity giving substantially the same representations and warranties to it as set out in sub-paragraphs (c) to (f) (inclusive).

The Securities have not been approved by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, Reserve Bank of India or any other regulatory authority of India, nor have the foregoing authorities approved this Base Prospectus or confirmed the accuracy or determined the adequacy of the information contained in this Base Prospectus. This Base Prospectus has not been and will not be registered as a prospectus or a statement in lieu of prospectus with the Registrar of Companies in India.

Prospective investors must seek legal advice as to whether they are entitled to subscribe to the Securities and must comply with all relevant Indian laws in this respect. Each investor is deemed to have acknowledged and agreed that it is eligible to invest in the Securities under applicable laws and regulations and that it is not prohibited under any law or regulation in India from acquiring, owning or selling the Securities.

7. HONG KONG

The Securities may not be offered or sold in Hong Kong, by means of any document, other than (i) to persons whose ordinary business is to buy and sell shares and debentures (whether as principal or agent); or (ii) to “professional investors” within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder (the “SFO”); or (iii) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a “prospectus” within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong) or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of that Ordinance. Unless permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong, no Holder may issue or have in its possession for the purpose of issue any advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Securities whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere, which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong other than with respect to the Securities intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong, or only to “professional investors” within the meaning of the SFO.

8. SINGAPORE

This Base Prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore under the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the “SFA”). Accordingly, this Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Securities may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the Securities be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to any person in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor specified in Section 274 of the SFA; (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the

conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA; or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Each of the following relevant persons specified in Section 275 of the SFA which has subscribed or purchased Securities, namely a person who is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an accredited investor,

should note that shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest in that trust shall not be transferable for 6 months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Securities under Section 275 of the SFA except:

- (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA or to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A) of the SFA, and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA;
- (ii) where no consideration is given for the transfer;
- (iii) by operation of law; or
- (iv) pursuant to Section 276(7) of the SFA.

9. TAIWAN

The Securities may not be sold, offered or issued in Taiwan unless they are made available for purchase through the non discretionary trust services of licensed Taiwan banks or the brokerage services of licensed Taiwan brokers acting as trustees or agents, as applicable, of their customers and not as agent of the Issuer or any other party.

10. SWITZERLAND

Securities issued under this Programme which are not listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. do not qualify for public distribution in or from Switzerland according to Article 5 of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes. Accordingly, such Securities may not be publicly distributed in or from Switzerland and neither this Programme, any Final Terms nor any marketing material relating to the Securities may be distributed in connection with such distribution, unless a special simplified prospectus is prepared setting forth any and all

information which may be required to be disclosed in a simplified prospectus pursuant to Art. 5 of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes and any implementing ordinance or other applicable act or regulation or self-regulation in the Final Terms or a separate document (the "Simplified Prospectus"). Any Term Sheet prepared shall be subject to the Final Terms and the Simplified Prospectus, if any, for the relevant Securities. If no Simplified Prospectus is prepared, the Securities may only be offered and the Programme, any Final Terms or any marketing material may only be distributed in or from Switzerland to qualified investors according to the applicable provisions of the Collective Investment Scheme Act ("CISA") in such a way that there is no public marketing or offering in or from Switzerland as defined pursuant to the most restrictive interpretation of the applicable Swiss laws and regulations.

SALES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES

Information under this heading is applicable only to Securities which are in registered form and are offered to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A.

The Selling Restrictions set out herein apply only to those Securities which are Equity Certificates. Only the Equity Certificates and no other Securities pursuant to this Base Prospectus will be offered into the U.S. or to U.S. investors.

General

The Securities have not been registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”) or the securities laws of any state or political subdivision of the United States, and may not be offered, sold, transferred or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person, except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to the requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable U.S. state securities laws. The Securities are being offered and sold only: (i) outside the United States to persons other than U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) in offshore transactions that meet the requirements of Regulation S under the Securities Act (“**Regulation S**”); and (ii) to U.S. persons who are “qualified institutional buyers” (as defined in Rule 144A of the Securities Act).

Certain Series of the Securities (each a “**Relevant Series**”) may be offered and sold in reliance upon Regulation S outside the United States to non-U.S. persons and, with respect to Securities in registered form only, within the United States (1) in reliance upon Rule 144A under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144A**”) to qualified institutional buyers within the meaning of Rule 144A (“**QIBs**”) or (2) in transactions otherwise exempt from registration, in each case as further specified herein. Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that sellers of the Securities may be relying on the exemption from the provisions of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A.

Effective from the date of commencement of discussions concerning a Relevant Series, each Holder and its respective employees, representatives or other agents may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the Relevant Series and all materials of any kind, including opinions or other tax analyses, if any, that have been provided to such Holder relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. However, the foregoing does not constitute an authorisation to disclose the Issuer’s identity or that of its affiliates, agents or advisors or, except to the extent relating to such tax structure or tax treatment, any specific pricing terms or commercial or financial information.

Notice to New Hampshire Residents

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B (**RSA 421-B**) OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, OR SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

Available Information

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with sales of any Securities, the Issuer has undertaken to furnish, upon the request of a Holder of such Securities, or a beneficial owner of an interest therein, to such Holder or beneficial owner or to a prospective purchaser designated by such Holder or beneficial owner, the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if, at the time of the request, the Issuer is neither a reporting company under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act nor exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act.

Notice to Purchasers and Holders of Restricted Securities and Transfer Restrictions

As a result of the following restrictions, purchasers of Securities in the United States are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any purchase, offer, sale, resale or other transfer of such Securities.

Each purchaser of Securities will, by its purchase of such Securities, be deemed to acknowledge, represent and agree as follows (unless otherwise specified, terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or in Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

- (i) that for so long as the Securities are “restricted securities” (as defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act) either: (a) it is a QIB, purchasing (or holding) the Securities for its own account or for the account of one or more QIBs and it is aware, and each beneficial owner of

such Security has been advised, that any sale to it is being made in reliance on Rule 144A, or
(b) it is outside the United States and is not a U.S. person;

- (ii) that in issuing the Securities, the Issuer is not making, and has not made any representations whatsoever as to any of the issuer of the Shares (the “**Underlying Issuer**”) or any information contained in any document filed by the Underlying Issuer with any exchange or with any governmental entity regulating the purchase and sale of securities or the Securities;
- (iii) that the Issuer and any affiliate of the Issuer may, whether by virtue of the types of relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter be in possession of information in relation to the Underlying Issuer that is or may be material in the context of the Securities and which is or may not be known to the general public or the Holder. The Securities do not create any obligation on the part of the Issuer or any affiliate of the Issuer to disclose to the Holder any such relationship or information (whether or not confidential) and neither the Issuer nor any other affiliate of the Issuer shall be liable to the Holder by reason of such non-disclosure. No such information has been used in the selection of the Underlying Issuer for the Securities;
- (iv) that the Issuer and any affiliate of the Issuer may have existing or future business relationships with the Underlying Issuer (including, but not limited to, lending, depository, risk management, advisory or banking relationships) and will pursue actions and take steps that it deems or they deem necessary or appropriate to protect its or their interests arising therefrom without regard to the consequences for a Holder of the Securities;
- (v) that the market value of the Securities may be adversely affected by movements in the value of the Shares or in interest rates or currency exchange rates;
- (vi) trading in the Securities has not been and will not be approved by the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act;
- (vii) that the Securities are being offered and sold in a transaction not involving a public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act and that the Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable United States state securities laws and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except as set forth below;

- (viii) that if in the future it decides to resell, or otherwise transfer the Securities or any beneficial interests in the Securities, it will do so, for so long as the Securities are restricted securities, only (a) to the Issuer or any affiliate thereof, (b) pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act, (c) inside the United States to a person whom the seller reasonably believes is a QIB purchasing for its own account or for the account of a QIB in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, (d) outside the United States in compliance with Rule 903 or 904 under the Securities Act, or (e) pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act, in each case in accordance with all applicable United States state securities laws;
- (ix) it will, and will require each subsequent Holder to, notify any purchaser of the Securities from it of the resale restrictions referred to in paragraph (viii) above, if then applicable;
- (x) that Securities offered in the United States to QIBs will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Securities and that Securities offered outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Securities;
- (xi) that the Rule 144A Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by the Issuer:

“THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS AND, ACCORDINGLY, MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND UNLESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS SECURITY, WHETHER UPON ORIGINAL ISSUANCE OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFER, ACKNOWLEDGES THE RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER SET FORTH BELOW AND AGREES THAT IT SHALL TRANSFER SUCH SECURITIES ONLY AS PROVIDED HEREIN. BY ITS ACQUISITION THEREOF, THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY OR AN INTEREST HEREIN REPRESENTS THAT IT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) PURCHASING THIS SECURITY OR AN INTEREST HEREIN FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF ONE OR MORE QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS SECURITY OR AN INTEREST HEREIN IS HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE SELLER OF THIS SECURITY OR AN INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE RELYING ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 5 OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY RULE 144A THEREUNDER. THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY OR AN INTEREST HEREIN, BY

ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, AGREES TO OFFER, SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS SECURITY, FOR SO LONG AS THIS SECURITY IS A “RESTRICTED SECURITY” (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) ONLY (A) TO THE ISSUER OR ANY AFFILIATE THEREOF, (B) PURSUANT TO A REGISTRATION STATEMENT THAT HAS BEEN DECLARED EFFECTIVE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (C) TO A PERSON IT REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER THAT PURCHASES FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (D) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (E) PURSUANT TO ANOTHER EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. THE HOLDER (OR BENEFICIAL HOLDER) WILL, AND EACH SUBSEQUENT HOLDER IS REQUIRED TO, NOTIFY ANY PURCHASER OF THIS SECURITY FROM IT OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS REFERRED TO IN THIS PARAGRAPH.

IF AT ANY TIME ANY TRANSFER AGENT SUBSEQUENTLY DETERMINES OR IS SUBSEQUENTLY NOTIFIED BY THE ISSUER THAT THE HOLDER OF ANY INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS GLOBAL SECURITY WAS IN BREACH, AT THE TIME GIVEN, OF ANY REPRESENTATION OR AGREEMENT SET FORTH IN ANY TRANSFER CERTIFICATE, THEN THE PURPORTED TRANSFER SHALL BE ABSOLUTELY NULL AND VOID AB INITIO AND SHALL VEST NO RIGHTS IN THE PURPORTED TRANSFEREE (SUCH PURPORTED TRANSFEREE, A “DISQUALIFIED TRANSFEREE”) AND THE LAST PRECEDING HOLDER OF SUCH INTEREST THAT WAS NOT A DISQUALIFIED TRANSFEREE SHALL BE RESTORED TO ALL RIGHTS AS A HOLDER THEREOF RETROACTIVELY TO THE DATE OF SUCH TRANSFER OF SUCH INTEREST BY SUCH HOLDER.

IF REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR BY A MANAGER, THE PURCHASER AGREES TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE TRANSFER OF THIS SECURITY IS PERMISSIBLE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT.”;

- (xii) if it is outside the United States and is not a U.S. person, that if it should resell or otherwise transfer the Securities prior to the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period (as defined in Rule 902 under the Securities Act), it will do so only (a)(i) outside the United States in compliance with Rule 903 or 904 under the Securities Act or (ii) to a QIB in compliance with Rule 144A and (b) in accordance with all applicable United States state securities laws; and it acknowledges that the Regulation S Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by the Issuer:

“THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS AND, ACCORDINGLY, MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND UNLESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION.”

- (xiii) that the Issuer and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of such acknowledgements, representations or agreements made by it are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer; and if it is acquiring any Securities as a fiduciary or agent for one or more accounts it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and that it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements on behalf of each such account.

No sale of interests in a Rule 144A Global Security to any one purchaser, will be for less than U.S.\$100,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent) nominal amount. No interest in a Rule 144A Global Security will be issued in connection with a sale in a smaller applicable nominal amount. If the purchaser is a non-bank fiduciary acting on behalf of others, each person for whom it is acting must purchase at least U.S.\$100,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent) nominal amount of Securities.

ERISA

The Issuer and certain affiliates of the Issuer may each be considered a “party in interest” within the meaning of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”) or a “disqualified person” within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, (the “Code”) with respect to certain employee benefit plans and individual retirement accounts, Keoghs and other plans subject to Section 4975 of the Code. Prohibited transactions within the meaning of ERISA or the Code may arise, for example, if the Securities are acquired by or with the assets of a pension or other employee benefit plan or account with respect to which the Issuer or any of its affiliates is a service provider, unless the Securities are acquired pursuant to an exemption from the prohibited transaction rules. Similar rules may also apply to certain governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) church or non U.S. plans, to the extent such plans are subject to provisions similar to the prohibited transaction rules under other federal, state, local or non-U.S. laws.

The assets of a pension or other employee benefit plan may include assets held in the general account of an insurance company that are deemed to be “plan assets” under ERISA.

The acquisition of the Securities may be eligible for one of the exemptions noted below if such acquisition:

- (a) (i) is made solely with the assets of a bank collective investment fund and (ii) satisfies the requirements and conditions of Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 91-38 issued by the Department of Labor (“DOL”);
- (b) (i) is made solely with assets of an insurance company pooled separate account and (ii) satisfies the requirements and conditions of PTCE 90-1 issued by the DOL;
- (c) (i) is made solely with assets managed by a qualified professional asset manager and (ii) satisfies the requirements and conditions of PTCE 84-14 issued by the DOL;
- (d) (i) is made solely with assets of a governmental, church or non-U.S. plan, and (ii) is not subject to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code;
- (e) (i) is made solely with assets of an insurance company general account and (ii) satisfies the requirements and conditions of PTCE 95-60 issued by the DOL;
- (f) (i) is made solely with assets managed by an in-house asset manager and (ii) satisfies the requirements and conditions of PTCE 96-23 issued by the DOL; or
- (g) is made in accordance with Section 408(b)(17) to a non-fiduciary service provider for adequate consideration.

By its purchase of any Security and by each subsequent transferee’s purchase of any Security, each Holder and each subsequent transferee will be deemed to have represented and warranted on each day from the date on which it acquires the Security through and including the date on which it disposes of its interest in the Security, either that (A) it is not a plan subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or a governmental, church or non-U.S. plan which is subject to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or, (B)(i) its purchase, holding and disposition of the Security will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, church or non-U.S. plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, local or non-U.S. law) or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA of the Code (including, without limitation, Section 404(b) of ERISA and DOL regulation section 2550.404b-1) for which an exemption is not available, and (ii) neither the Issuer nor any of its affiliates is a “fiduciary” (within the meaning of Section 3(21) of ERISA) with respect to it by reason of its investment in the Securities and no advice that has been provided to it by the Issuer or any of its affiliates has formed a primary basis for any investment decision by it made in connection with the Securities. By its purchase of any Security, each Holder hereby indemnifies the Issuer, its

subsidiaries and affiliates, and its officers, directors, advisors and other representatives and any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, against any direct or indirect liability that arises from any breach (whether or not intentional) of the foregoing representations.

Each purchaser of Securities will, by its purchase of such Securities, be deemed to acknowledge that the purchase of the Security may not satisfy the indicia of ownership requirements under ERISA (Section 404(b)) and the Issuer makes no representations in connection therewith. Accordingly, benefit plan investors that are subject to ERISA should consult with their own counsel to determine whether the purchase of Securities will satisfy the indicia of ownership requirements of ERISA applicable to such purchase.

Any insurance company or pension or employee benefit plan proposing to invest in the Securities should consult with its legal counsel. Purchasers of the Securities have exclusive responsibility for ensuring that their purchase and holding of the Securities does not violate the fiduciary and prohibited transaction rules of ERISA, the Code or any similar laws or rules.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Authorisation

The Issuer's managing board, in its capacity as the Issuer's representative, is responsible for issuing debt instruments. The Issuer's managing board has delegated the issue of debt instruments, including the Securities, to the Group Asset and Liability Committee pursuant to a resolution dated 1 April 2010. In addition, the issue of Securities has been approved by the Issuer's supervisory board pursuant to a resolution dated 1 April 2010 and in accordance with the Issuer's articles of association. All consents, approvals, authorisations or other orders of all regulatory authorities required by the Issuer under the laws of The Netherlands have been given for the issue of the Securities.

Listing

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market for Securities issued up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus to be admitted to trading and to be listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market. Certain Securities issued under this Base Prospectus may not be listed. For so long as the Securities are listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext and NYSE Euronext requires so there will be a paying agent in The Netherlands. ABN AMRO Bank N.V. MF 2020 Kemelstede 2, P.O. Box 3200, 4800 DE Breda, The Netherlands, has been appointed as the initial paying agent in The Netherlands.

Documents available

During the validity of this Base Prospectus, copies of the following documents will, when published, be available, free of charge, from the registered office of the Issuer and from the specified office of the Agent:

- (a) the most recent Articles of Association of the Issuer;
- (b) the consolidated audited financial statements of RBS Holdings N.V. in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2009 together with the audit reports thereon;
- (c) all future consolidated financial statements of the Issuer;
- (d) a copy of the Registration Document;
- (e) all documents incorporated herein by reference;

issue price of the Securities of the relevant Series, each prospective investor shall not be required to pay any expenses to the Issuer in order to subscribe for the relevant Securities.

Securities may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on such other or further stock exchanges or markets as the Issuer may decide. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities and/or Securities not admitted to trading on any market.

(b) Description of the Application and Payment Process for a Prospective Purchaser

Applications for Securities may be made by a prospective purchaser through any broker, financial adviser, banker, financial intermediary or other agent acting in such a capacity (each a “**Selling Agent**”) which has a relationship with the Issuer governing the sale of the Securities. Pursuant to anti-money laundering regulations, prospective purchasers who are not an existing client of a Selling Agent may be required by their Selling Agent of choice to complete an anti-money laundering form and to provide further evidence of identification in advance of applying for any Securities.

Each prospective purchaser should ascertain from its Selling Agent of choice when that Selling Agent will require receipt of cleared funds from its clients in respect of applications for Securities and the manner in which payment should be made to the Selling Agent. Each Selling Agent may impose different arrangements relating to the purchase of Securities and prospective investors should contact the Selling Agents directly for information concerning such arrangements. Applicants for Securities who arrange to purchase the Securities through a Selling Agent should note that in doing so they are assuming the credit risk of the relevant Selling Agent and that such arrangements will be subject to the applicable conditions of the relevant Selling Agent.

(c) Conditions to Which the Offer is Subject

The offer, in respect of a particular Series of Securities is subject to the Conditions as set out in this Base Prospectus, the relevant Final Terms and any document incorporated by reference (see *Documents Incorporated by Reference*).

(d) Minimum/Maximum Application Amount

Investors are required to subscribe for a minimum of one (1) Security and thereafter in multiples of one (1) Security unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the relevant Series of the Securities. There is no maximum subscription amount unless otherwise stated in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the relevant Series of the Securities.

(e) Scale-back and Cancellation

The Issuer reserves the right, prior to the Issue Date, in its absolute discretion to:

1. decline in whole or in part an application for Securities such that a prospective purchaser for Securities may, in certain circumstances, not be issued the number of (or any) Securities for which it has applied (“**Scale-back**”); or
2. withdraw, cancel or modify the offer of the Securities (“**Cancellation**”).

The Issuer may Scale-back or Cancel the Securities without notice and will notify prospective investors of such Scale-back or Cancellation after such Scale-back or Cancellation has occurred. In the event that the Securities are not issued, no subscription monies shall be payable by prospective purchasers to the Issuer (either directly or indirectly through a Selling Agent (as defined above)) in respect of the Securities. Prospective purchasers should contact their Selling Agent of choice for details of the arrangements for the return of application monies in such circumstances. The Issuer shall have no responsibility for, or liability arising out of, the relationship between prospective purchasers and their respective Selling Agents and clearing system operators, including, without limitation, in respect of arrangements concerning the return of monies by such persons to their clients.

(f) Details of the Manner in Which the Results of the Initial Offer are to be Made Public

A prospective investor submitting an offer to purchase Securities will be notified of the acceptance or otherwise of such application on or prior to the Issue Date.

(g) Categories of Investors to which Securities are Offered

The Securities will be offered to both retail and qualified investors.

(h) Expenses and Taxes

Any expenses are described in the relevant Product Conditions and Final Terms for the relevant Series and will be deducted accordingly. For further information on the taxes, please refer to the section titled "Taxation".

(i) Post-issuance information

The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information.

(j) Description of the Securities

Certificates are investment instruments which, when exercised or terminated pay an amount determined by reference to the level of the underlying currency, commodity, index (including in the case of an index, the index and its constituent elements), stock, bond or other product, subject to the certificate entitlement. As such, certificates entail the same level of risk as a direct investment in the Underlying. Investors should be aware that their entire investment may be lost in the event that the Underlying is valued at zero. However, investors are able to hold certificates in the expectation of a recovery in the price of the Underlying.

The price at which a holder will be able to sell certificates may be at a potentially substantial discount to the market value of the certificates at the issue date, if, at such time and in addition to any other factors, the value of the Underlying is below, equal to or not sufficiently above the value of the Underlying at the issue date.

Open end certificates are similar to ordinary certificates, in that they track in a linear manner the Underlying. The difference between an open end certificate and an ordinary certificate is that an open end certificate does not have an expiration date or maturity date but will instead continue indefinitely until either the Holder exercises or the Issuer terminates the certificates.

Where the settlement currency is different to the underlying currency, an open end certificate may have a quanto feature (effectively a fixed rate of exchange between the two currencies for the duration of the certificate) and the Issuer may charge the Holder for arranging and maintaining such quanto feature by way of reducing the amount received by the Holder on exercise or termination.

Open end certificates may be issued in relation to a wide range of Underlyings, including, without limitation, commodities, indices, forward or future contracts related to one or more commodities, funds, baskets of indices and funds and other assets.

The spread certificates are leverage type investment instruments, which are not comparable to a direct investment in the underlying assets, because the value of the certificates is linked to the relative performance between two underlying assets comprising a long position in one underlying asset and a short position in another underlying asset. This relative performance is expressed as a percentage rate. Spread certificates contain features including stop-loss, which if breached will result in the early termination of the certificate and issuer automatic call, both of which are based on closing levels of the Underlying.

Third Party Information

Where information has been sourced from a third party, the Issuer confirms that this information has been accurately reproduced and that as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

CONDITIONS: GENERAL CONDITIONS

The General Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the Product Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these General Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Product Conditions or the applicable Final Terms and, if not so defined, shall be inapplicable. References in these General Conditions to interest and Coupons (and related expressions) shall be ignored in the case of Securities which do not bear interest. References in these General Conditions to the Conditions shall mean these General Conditions and, in relation to any Securities, the Product Conditions applicable to those Securities.

2. STATUS

The Securities constitute unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.

3. EARLY TERMINATION

The Issuer shall have the right to terminate the Securities if it shall have determined in its absolute discretion that its performance thereunder shall have become unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance in good faith by the Issuer with any applicable present or future law, rule, regulation, judgement, order or directive of any governmental, administrative, legislative or judicial authority or power (“**Applicable Law**”). In such circumstances the Issuer will, however, if and to the extent permitted by the Applicable Law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination (ignoring such illegality) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holder in accordance with General Condition 4.

4. NOTICES

- (a) Notices to Holders shall be given by the delivery of the relevant notice to the Clearing Agent(s) with an instruction from the Issuer to the Clearing Agent(s) to communicate such notice to the Holders. The Issuer shall also ensure that notices are duly published, to the extent required, in a manner which complies (i) with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Securities are for the time being listed or in the country in which such Securities have been admitted to trading and (ii) with any relevant legislation. In addition, the Issuer shall have the right but (without prejudice to the previous sentence) shall not be obliged to publish notices in electronic form on the internet website of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd (http://www.six-exchange-regulation.com/publications/communiqués/official_notices_en.html) if and so long as the Securities are listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.
- (b) Any such notice issued pursuant to General Condition 4(a) by being delivered to the Clearing Agent(s) will be deemed to have been given on the date of the delivery of such notice to the Clearing Agent(s). Any such notice issued pursuant to General Condition 4(a) by being published will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication (for the avoidance of doubt, such notice having been published by any valid means) or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers.

5. HEDGING DISRUPTION

- (a) Notification. The Issuer shall as soon as reasonably practicable give instructions to the Calculation Agent to notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4(a): (i) if it determines that a Hedging Disruption Event has occurred; and (ii) of the consequence of such Hedging Disruption Event as determined by the Issuer pursuant to General Condition 5(c).
- (b) Hedging Disruption Event. A “**Hedging Disruption Event**” shall occur if the Issuer acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, determines that it is or has become not reasonably practicable or it has otherwise become undesirable, for any reason, for the Issuer or any Hedge Provider wholly or partially to (i) hold, acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of a relevant hedging transaction (a “**Relevant Hedging Transaction**”) or asset it deems necessary, appropriate or desirable to hedge the Issuer’s obligations in respect of the Securities or (ii) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such transaction(s) or asset(s). The reasons for such determination by the Issuer may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (i) the Issuer or any Hedge Provider will, whether directly or indirectly, incur a material increase (as compared with circumstances existing on the Issue Date) in the amount of tax, duty, expense (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit or other adverse effect on its tax position) or fee (other than brokerage commissions) provided that any such materially increased amount that is incurred solely due to the deterioration of the creditworthiness of the Issuer or the Hedge Provider shall not be considered for the purposes of this sub-paragraph (i); or
- (ii) any material illiquidity in the market for, or any mandatory redemption in whole or in part of, the relevant instruments (the “**Disrupted Instrument**”) which from time to time are included in the reference asset to which the Securities relate; or
- (iii) a change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law) or the promulgation of, or change in, the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority); or
- (iv) a material decline in the creditworthiness of a party with whom the Issuer has entered into any such Relevant Hedging Transaction; or
- (v) the general unavailability of: (A) market participants who will agree to enter into a Relevant Hedging Transaction; or (B) market participants who will so enter into a Relevant Hedging Transaction on commercially reasonable terms.

In the Conditions:

“**Hedge Position**” means any purchase, sale, entry into or maintenance of one or more (i) positions or contracts in reference assets to which the Securities relate, securities, options, futures, derivatives or foreign exchange, (ii) securities lending transactions or (iii) other instruments or arrangements (however described) by the Issuer in order to hedge the Issuer’s risk of issuing, and performing its obligations with respect to, the Securities; and

“**Hedge Provider**” includes but is not limited to the Issuer, any associate, subsidiary or affiliate thereof and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland plc and/or any other party(ies) and/or any special purpose vehicle(s) holding or entering into a Hedge Position in connection with the Issuer’s hedging arrangements in respect of the Securities.

- (c) Consequences. The Issuer, in the event of a Hedging Disruption Event, may determine to:
- (i) terminate the Securities. In such circumstances the Issuer will, however, if and to the extent permitted by the Applicable Law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable), any such amount to be paid under this General Condition shall not be less than the present value of such minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holder in accordance with General Condition 4;
 - (ii) make an adjustment in good faith to the relevant reference asset by removing the Disrupted Instrument at its fair market value (which may be zero). Upon any such removal the Issuer may: (A) hold any notional proceeds (if any) arising as a consequence thereof and adjust the terms of payment and/or delivery in respect of the Securities; or (B) notionally reinvest such proceeds in other reference asset(s) if so permitted under the Conditions (including the reference asset(s) to which the Securities relate);
 - (iii) make any other adjustment to the Conditions as it considers appropriate in order to maintain the theoretical value of the Securities after adjusting for the relevant Hedging Disruption Event. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date, any such adjustment will in no way affect the Issuer's obligations to make payment to the Holders not less than the minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons on the relevant Settlement Date or Maturity Date, or Interest Payment Date, as applicable.

- (d) The Issuer may also make adjustments to the Conditions if it determines that an event has occurred which, whilst not a Hedging Disruption Event or other disruption event as specified in Product Condition 4, is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's Hedge Position. Where the Issuer makes adjustments to the Conditions pursuant to this General Condition 5(d), the Issuer shall notify the Holders thereof and shall offer to purchase from Holders for a period of not less than 10 days any Securities held by them at their fair market value (as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner and taking into account the proposed adjustment) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements.

6. PURCHASES, FURTHER ISSUES BY THE ISSUER AND PRESCRIPTION

- (a) Purchases. The Issuer or any affiliate may purchase Securities at any price in the open market or by tender or private treaty. Any Securities so purchased may be held, surrendered for cancellation or reissued or resold, and Securities so reissued or resold shall for all purposes be deemed to form part of the original series of Securities.
- (b) Further Issues. The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Holders or any of them to create and issue further securities so as to be consolidated with and form a single series with the Securities.
- (c) Prescription. Any Security or Coupon which is capable of presentation and is not so presented by its due date for presentation shall be void, and its value reduced to zero, if not so presented within five years of such due date. For the avoidance of doubt, any Securities which are subject to provisions relating to their exercise shall be void, and their value shall be zero, if not exercised in accordance with their provisions.

7. DETERMINATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

- (a) Determinations.
 - (i) In making any determinations and calculations under these Conditions, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. All such determinations and calculations by the Issuer and the Calculation Agent shall, in the absence of manifest error, be final and binding.
 - (ii) Whilst it is intended that the Issuer and the Calculation Agent will employ the methodology described in the Conditions to make determinations in respect of the Securities, no assurance can be given that market, regulatory, judicial or fiscal circumstances or, without limitation, any other circumstances will

not arise that would necessitate a modification or change in such methodology in order that the Securities replicate as closely as possible investments in the assets underlying the Securities and its components. The Issuer and the Calculation Agent may make any such modification or change to such methodology that it considers necessary to reflect such circumstances.

- (iii) Calculations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in respect of the Securities shall be made on the days specified herein; however, notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else contained in these Conditions, should the Issuer or the Calculation Agent determine that in order to give effect to the methodology described in these Conditions it is necessary to make calculations on a day or days other than that specified, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to make such calculations on such calendar day or days as it shall determine.
 - (iv) Due to timing considerations, process requirements and other matters that would, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent, be relevant in relation to the implementation of asset allocation models, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent may need to make appropriate adjustments to the methodology set out in the terms and conditions as it considers necessary in order to reflect the timing and amounts that would be applicable were the Issuer or the Calculation Agent physically implementing the methodology set out in the Securities.
- (b) **Modifications.** The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders or any of them, modify any provision of the Conditions which is: (i) of a formal, minor or technical nature; (ii) made to correct a manifest error; or (iii) in its absolute discretion, not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders. Notice of any such modification will be given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 but failure to give, or non-receipt of, such notice will not affect the validity of any such modification.

8. SUBSTITUTION

- (a) **Substitution of Issuer.** The Issuer may at any time without the consent of the Holders substitute for itself as issuer of the Securities with regard to any and all rights, obligations and liabilities under and in connection with the Securities:
 - (A) The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, registered in Scotland under No. 90312, with its registered office at 36 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YB, (“**RBS plc**” or the “**Substitute**”) subject to the Issuer having given at least 30 days’

prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

(B) any entity other than RBS (also, the “**Substitute**”), subject to:

either (x):

- (i) the Issuer having given at least 30 days’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
- (ii) the Issuer or RBS plc having issued a legal, valid and binding guarantee of the obligations and liabilities of the Substitute under the Securities for the benefit of each and any of the Holders;

or (y):

(i) the Issuer having given at least three months’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

(ii) each Holder, from (and including) the date of such notice, to (and including) the date of such substitution, being entitled to terminate the Securities held by such Holder without any notice period in which event the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, pay to such Holder with respect to each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by the Issuer as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide for a minimum assured return of principal or a minimum assured return of interest or other payments, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable) any such amount to be paid shall not be less than the present value of the minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4;

and in each case subject to all actions, conditions and things required to be taken, fulfilled and done (including the obtaining of any necessary consents) to ensure that the Securities represent legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substitute having been taken, fulfilled and done and being in full force and effect.

In the event of any substitution of the Issuer, any reference in the Conditions to the Issuer shall from such time be construed as a reference to the Substitute.

- (b) Substitution of Office. The Issuer shall have the right upon notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 to change the office through which it is acting and shall specify the date of such change in such notice.

9. TAXATION

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty, withholding or other similar payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Securities. In relation to each Security the relevant Holder shall pay all Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions. All payments or, as the case may be, deliveries in respect of the Securities will be subject in all cases to all applicable fiscal and other laws and regulations (including, where applicable, laws requiring the deduction or withholding for, or on account of, any tax duty or other charge whatsoever). The Holder shall be liable for and/or pay any tax, duty or charge in connection with the ownership of and/or any transfer, payment or delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Holder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable such amount, as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment.

10. REPLACEMENT OF SECURITIES AND COUPONS

If any Security or Coupon is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed it may be replaced at the specified office of the Principal Agent (or such other place of which notice shall have been given to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4) upon payment by the claimant of the expenses incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Securities and Coupons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued. This General Condition will not apply to Securities issued in dematerialised form.

11. ADJUSTMENTS FOR EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION

- (a) Redenomination. The Issuer may, without the consent of any Holder, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 elect that, with effect from the Adjustment Date specified in such notice, certain terms of the Securities shall be redenominated in euro. The election will have effect as follows:

- (i) where the Settlement Currency is the National Currency Unit of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, such Settlement Currency shall be deemed to be an amount of euro converted from the original Settlement Currency into

euro at the Established Rate, subject to such provisions (if any) as to rounding as the Issuer may decide and as may be specified in the notice, and after the Adjustment Date, all payments in respect of the Securities will be made solely in euro as though references in the Securities to the Settlement Currency were to euro;

- (ii) where the Conditions contain a rate of exchange or any of the Conditions are expressed in a National Currency Unit (the “**Original Currency**”) of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, such rate of exchange and/or any other terms of the Conditions shall be deemed to be expressed in or, in the case of a rate of exchange, converted for or, as the case may be into, euro at the Established Rate; and
 - (iii) such other changes shall be made to the Conditions as the Issuer may decide to conform them to conventions then applicable to instruments expressed in euro.
- (b) **Adjustment to Conditions.** The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 make such adjustments to the Conditions as the Issuer may determine to be appropriate to account for the effect of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty on the Conditions.
- (c) **Euro Conversion Costs.** Notwithstanding General Condition 11(a) and/or General Condition 11(b), none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall be liable to any Holder or other person for any commissions, costs, losses or expenses in relation to or resulting from the transfer of euro or any currency conversion or rounding effected in connection therewith.
- (d) **Definitions Relating to European Economic and Monetary Union.** In this General Condition, the following expressions have the meanings set out below.

“**Adjustment Date**” means a date specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Holders pursuant to this Condition which falls on or after the date on which the country of the Original Currency or, as the case may be, the Settlement Currency first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty;

“**Established Rate**” means the rate for the conversion of the Original Currency or, as the case may be, the Settlement Currency (including compliance with rules relating to

rounding in accordance with applicable European community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to Article 123 of the Treaty;

“**National Currency Unit**” means the unit of the currency of a country as those units are defined on the day before the country first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty; and

“**Treaty**” means the treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

12. AGENTS

- (a) **Principal Agent and Agents.** The Issuer reserves the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of any Agent and to appoint further or additional Agents, provided that no termination of appointment of the principal agent (the “**Principal Agent**”) shall become effective until a replacement Principal Agent shall have been appointed and provided that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are listed on any stock exchange or publicly offered in any jurisdiction, there shall be an Agent having a specified office in each country required by the rules and regulation of each such stock exchange and each such jurisdiction and provided further that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are in registered form, there shall be a Registrar and a Transfer Agent (which may be the Registrar), if so specified in the relevant Product Conditions. Notice of any appointment, or termination of appointment, or any change in the specified office, of any Agent will be given to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. Each Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders or any of them. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by an Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Holders.
- (b) **Calculation Agent.** The Issuer or such other Calculation Agent as specified in the applicable Final Terms, shall undertake the duties of calculation agent (the “**Calculation Agent**” which expression shall include any successor calculation agent or assignee as approved by the Issuer) in respect of the Securities unless the Issuer decides to appoint a successor Calculation Agent in accordance with the provisions below.

The Issuer reserves the right at any time to appoint another institution as the Calculation Agent provided that no termination of appointment of the existing Calculation Agent shall become effective until a replacement Calculation Agent shall

have been appointed. Notice of any termination or appointment will be given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

The Calculation Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by the Calculation Agent (whether or not the Issuer) shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Holders.

The Calculation Agent may, with the consent of the Issuer (if it is not the Issuer), delegate any of its obligations and functions to a third party as it deems appropriate.

13. SURRENDER OF UNMATURED COUPONS

Each Security should be presented for redemption, where applicable, together with all unmatured Coupons relating to it. Upon the due date for redemption of any Security, where applicable, all unmatured Coupons relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect thereof. This General Condition will not apply to Securities issued in dematerialised form.

14. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

No rights are conferred on any person under the English Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any Condition. The preceding sentence shall not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

15. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

(a) The Securities and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Securities, are governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English law.

(b) The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations) (a “**Dispute**”) arising from or in connection with the Securities).

(c) Subparagraph (b) is for the benefit of the Holders only. As a result, nothing prevents any Holder from taking proceedings relating to a Dispute (“**Proceedings**”) in any other courts with jurisdiction. To the extent allowed by law, Holders may take concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.

(d) The Issuer agrees that the courts of England are the most appropriate and convenient courts to settle any Dispute and, accordingly, that it will not argue to the contrary.

16. METHOD OF PAYMENT

For purposes of any payment on a Security, the Clearing Agents may not be United States persons, as defined for United States Federal income tax purposes, and their respective specified offices may not be located in the United States or any of its possessions. No payment on a Security shall be made by transfer to an account in the United States (including its possessions) or by cheque mailed to an address in the United States (including its possessions).

17. COMMISSIONS, FEES AND REBATES

From time to time, the Issuer may make payments or receive the benefit of payments in relation to the issue of Securities including the following:

- (a) The Issuer may pay to a distributor, sales agent or other intermediary fees or commissions. Such fees or commissions are generally required to be disclosed by distributors, sales agents or intermediaries which, in each case, are EEA investment firms or credit institutions to their clients. Each potential investor in the Securities should satisfy itself as to the amount of any fees or commissions received by intermediaries;
- (b) The Issuer may receive or pay management or other fees from or to third parties. Where such fees are payable, further details of them will be set out in the relevant Final Terms; and
- (c) The Issuer may make payments to or receive the benefit of generic commission, discount and rebate arrangements from Hedge Providers and other transaction counterparties. Such arrangements will be as agreed between the Issuer and the third parties.

The Issuer reserves the right to retain any amounts received without any obligation to pass the benefit of the rebates to investors in the Securities.

18. EVENTS OF DEFAULT

If any one or more of the following events (each an “**Event of Default**”) shall occur and be continuing:

- (a) default is made for more than 30 days in the payment of interest or principal in respect of the Securities; or
- (b) the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Securities and such failure has continued for the period of 60 days next following the service on the Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (c) an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding up of the Issuer (excluding a solvent winding up solely for the purposes of a reconstruction, amalgamation, reorganisation, merger or consolidation in connection with which The

Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc or any of its subsidiaries assumes the obligations of the Issuer as principal debtor in respect of the Securities),

then any Holder may, by written notice to the Issuer at the specified office of the Principal Agent, effective upon the date of receipt thereof by the Principal Agent, declare the Security held by the holder to be forthwith due and payable whereupon the same shall become forthwith due and payable at the Early Redemption Amount (as defined below), together with accrued interest (if any) to the date of repayment, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind.

“Early Redemption Amount” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such Event of Default. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable), any such amount to be paid under this General Condition shall not be less than the present value of such minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY OPEN END CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearing system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Commodity**” means the commodity specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of

such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) equal to the price of the Commodity on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Commodity on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call

Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Commodity are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined

by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the commodity open end certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be

deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in

accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (c) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (d) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (f) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;

- (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (m) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price of the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (b) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading of the Commodity to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity, on the Exchange; or
- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Commodity; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date

and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Annual Fee**” means, in respect of the Certificate Fee, the percentage fee per annum specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. The Cash Amount on the Launch Date is zero. The Cash Amount can be negative;

“**Certificate Fee**” means an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent that will be calculated on a daily basis from the Launch Date in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Certificate Value**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Certificate Value shall not be less than zero. The Certificate Value shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearing system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Commodity” means the commodity specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Day Count Fraction” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) the immediately preceding Trading Day to (and including) the relevant Trading Day, divided by 360;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange

Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means a fixed rate of exchange of 1 unit of the Underlying Currency equals 1 unit of the Settlement Currency;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means the Reference Price on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call Date**” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first

succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee” means such fee deemed relevant by the Calculation Agent in determining the costs associated with arranging the Exchange Rate in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee will be calculated on a daily basis from the Launch Date by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. If the Issuer realises a profit when arranging the Exchange Rate, the Quanto Maintenance Fee could be negative;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee Level” means, with respect to the Launch Date, the Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level and thereafter the relevant Quanto Maintenance Fee Level as determined by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may, on a daily basis, reset the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level in its sole discretion having regard to prevailing market conditions, the correlation between the Commodity and the prevailing rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and Settlement Currency, interest rates of such currencies and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining the costs associated with arranging the quanto feature in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee Level can be negative;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Rate**” means the prevailing rate for the Settlement Currency with a designated maturity of either 1 month or overnight as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole discretion for each Day Count Fraction;

“**Reference Price**” means, in respect of any Trading Day and unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) equal to the price of the Commodity on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Commodity on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Commodity are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the commodity open end quanto certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities

(the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) **Exercise.** The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) **Issuer Call.** The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and

to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Certificate Value.

- (d) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Certificate Value or Cash Amount.
- (f) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Certificate Value (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and

which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;

- (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
- (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
- (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and

(vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Certificate Value (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where or any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be

prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) **Price Source Disruption.** The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price of the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (b) **Trading Suspension.** The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) **Disappearance of Price.** The failure of trading of the Commodity to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity, on the Exchange; or
- (d) **Material Change in Formula.** The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (e) **Material Change in Content.** The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Commodity; or
- (f) **De Minimis Trading.** The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (g) **Tax Disruption.** The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY FUTURES AND COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS OPEN END
CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of

such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Price at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call

Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“**Issuer Call Notice Period**” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Reference Asset**” means the Reference Asset as of the Issue Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and thereafter the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours on the Rollover Date, effect substitution of the next serially contract month or to the most liquid contract month (the “**Substitute Asset**”) selected by the Issuer. Each Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“**Reference Asset Price**” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the Relevant Screen Page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and, if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines. In circumstances where the Calculation Agent determines that no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing, the Reference Asset Price shall be an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Reference Asset on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Rollover Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Rollover Period” means each period from (and including) a Rollover Date to (but excluding) the next following Rollover Date;

“Rollover Ratio” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent on a Rollover Date at the Rollover Time by reference to liquidity in the underlying market and in accordance with the formula (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Rollover Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the commodity futures and commodity forward contracts open end certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a

“**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Substitute Asset Price**” means the Reference Asset Price of the reference asset future which will be the Substitute Asset at the next following Rollover Date;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Transaction Charge**” means a percentage rate as determined by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may adjust the Transaction Charge on each Rollover Date, but in any event, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Transaction Charge will not exceed 0.10%. The Transaction Charge on the Launch Date is 0.05%;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a

Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the closing time of the relevant Exchange, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name

a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its

intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (c) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

- (f) Notice.

All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;

- (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (m) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (b) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading of the Reference Asset to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset, on the Exchange; or
- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Reference Asset; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to

raise or lower the Reference Asset Price on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY FUTURES AND COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS OPEN END
QUANTO CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Annual Fee**” means, in respect of the Certificate Fee, the percentage fee per annum specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. The Cash Amount on the Launch Date is zero. The Cash Amount can be negative;

“**Certificate Fee**” means an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent that will be calculated on a daily basis from the Launch Date in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Certificate Value**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Certificate Value shall not be less than zero.

The Certificate Value shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Day Count Fraction” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) the immediately preceding Trading Day to (and including) the relevant Trading Day, divided by 360;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange

Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means a fixed rate of exchange of 1 unit of the Underlying Currency equals 1 unit of the Settlement Currency;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) equal to the Reference Asset Price at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee” means such fee deemed relevant by the Calculation Agent in determining the costs associated with arranging the Exchange Rate in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee will be calculated on a daily basis from the Launch Date by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. If the Issuer realises a profit when arranging the Exchange Rate, the Quanto Maintenance Fee could be negative;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee Level” means, with respect to the Launch Date, the Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level and thereafter the relevant Quanto Maintenance Fee Level as determined by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may, on a daily basis, reset the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level in its sole discretion having regard to prevailing market conditions, the correlation between the Reference Asset and the prevailing rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and Settlement Currency, interest rates of such currencies and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining the costs associated with arranging the quanto feature in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee Level may include a rebate based on the Underlying Rate. The Quanto Maintenance Fee Level can be negative;

“Rate” means the prevailing rate for the Settlement Currency with a designated maturity of either 1 month or overnight as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole discretion for each Day Count Fraction;

“Reference Asset” means the Reference Asset as of the Issue Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and thereafter the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours on the Rollover Date, effect substitution of the next serially contract month or to the most liquid contract month (the **“Substitute Asset”**) selected by the Issuer. Each Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“Reference Asset Price” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the Relevant Screen Page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and, if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines. In circumstances where the Calculation Agent determines that no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing, the Reference Asset Price shall be an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Reference Asset on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from

time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Rollover Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Rollover Ratio**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent on a Rollover Date at the Rollover Time by reference to liquidity in the underlying market and in accordance with the formula (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Rollover Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the commodity futures and commodity forward contracts open end quanto certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Substitute Asset Price” means the Reference Asset Price of the reference asset future which will be the Substitute Asset at the next following Rollover Date;

“Trading Day” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“Transaction Charge” means a percentage rate as determined by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may adjust the Transaction Charge on each Rollover Date, but in any event, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Transaction Charge will not exceed 0.10%. The Transaction Charge on the Launch Date is 0.05%;

“Underlying Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Underlying Rate” means the prevailing rate for deposits in the Underlying Currency with a designated maturity of either one month or overnight as determined by the Calculation Agent for each Day Count Fraction;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the closing time of the relevant Exchange, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities

(the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) **Exercise.** The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) **Issuer Call.** The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and

to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Certificate Value.

- (d) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Certificate Value or Cash Amount.
- (f) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Certificate Value (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and

which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;

- (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Certificate Value (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall

be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (b) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading of the Reference Asset to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset, on the Exchange; or
- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Reference Asset; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the Reference Asset Price on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO FUND OPEN END CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Dividend Amount**” means, in respect of each Security, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the

Fund net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty without regard to any tax credits, and less any Expenses, multiplied by the Entitlement where the ex dividend date for such dividends falls on a date during the period from (and including) the Issue Date to (and including) the relevant Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such

jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means, with respect to a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at that time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the NAV of the Fund as quoted by the fund manager of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in each case for the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of the relevant Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in each case for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Fund” means the fund specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Fund Administrator” means, in respect of the Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“Fund Adviser” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“Fund Documents” means, with respect to any Fund or Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or

Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“**Fund Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Fund Prospectus**” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“**Fund Service Provider**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Hedging Agreement**” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“**Inclusion Date**” means (i) in respect of the Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

- (i) An Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Early Termination Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Merger Event” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in

a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“**Reference Asset**” means the relevant interests in each Fund or if the Fund is an exchange traded fund the relevant interests specified as “Reference Assets” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Reference Price**” means, in respect of any day, an amount equal to the NAV of the Fund as quoted by the fund manager for any particular day or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction, or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of the relevant Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in each case for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Related Exchange**” means, with respect to a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, an options or future exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Fund are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Party” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“Replacement Fund” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(b)(ii). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“Securities” means each Series of the fund open end certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the term **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium,

Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Substitution Date**” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“**Trading Day**” means (i) in respect of a Fund, any day on which dealing in the Fund can take place and (ii) in respect of a Fund that is an exchange traded fund any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant series in the applicable Final Terms; and

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

- (i) An Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

(ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in

accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (c) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (d) **Dividend Amount.** The Holder is entitled to receive the Dividend Amount within ten Business Days following the receipt by the Issuer of the dividend and/or cash distribution to which it relates and the person entitled to receive such payment in respect of such Dividend Amount shall be the person who is shown in the records of the Clearing Agent(s) as the beneficial holder of such Security on the date of receipt by the Issuer. For the avoidance of any doubt, if the ex dividend date occurs before a Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, but the date of receipt of the dividend and/or cash distribution by the Issuer is on or after such Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, the person entitled to receive the Dividend Amount to which it relates shall be the person who is shown in the records of the Clearing Agent(s) as the beneficial holder of such Security on such Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date; *provided that* in no event shall the Issuer be obliged to take any action whatsoever in pursuit of payment of any dividend as a result of the fund manager failing to pay any such dividend when due.
- (e) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount or Dividend Amount.
- (g) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;

- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount and/or Dividend Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount and/or Dividend Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect

the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (m) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Fund Events. Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.
 - (i) Global Events:

- (A) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund's portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.
- (B) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.
- (C) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or

the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.

- (D) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.
- (E) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar

law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(a)(i)(E)(a) through 4(a)(i)(E)(f) above.

- (F) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (G) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (H) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets,

operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.

- (I) In respect of any Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (J) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant Affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Reference Assets held by them.
- (K) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
- (L) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.

- (ii) NAV/Price and Reporting:
- (A) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Reference Assets on the Exchange.
 - (B) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.
 - (C) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefor set out in such documents.
 - (D) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.

(E) (i) In respect of any Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Reference Assets).

(iii) Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Reference Assets occurs:

(A) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;

- (B) a portion of each Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of “side-pocket” which affects the Reference Assets;
 - (C) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
 - (D) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund; or
- (iv) Trading and Fees:
- (A) In respect of the Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Reference Assets as of such date).
 - (B) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.
 - (C) The frequency at which Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the

Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.

(D) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:

(I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or

(II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.

(v) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:

(A) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.

(B) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.

(C) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.

(D) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in

existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Reference Assets.

- (vi) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in subparagraphs (i) to (v) above.
- (b) Consequences of a Fund Event. In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a “**Permitted Action**”):
- (i) (A) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (B) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
 - (ii) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (A) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (B) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (C) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or
 - (iii) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
 - (iv) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (A) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero

coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (B) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (A) or (B) of this clause 4(b)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (C) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (A), (B) or (C), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(b), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

(c) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:

- (i) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such

other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.

- (ii) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
- (iii) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.
- (d) The Issuer shall give notice in accordance with General Condition 4 of any calculation or determination made by it or the Calculation Agent pursuant to this Product Condition 4 as soon as practicable after it has been made. The Issuer shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such calculations and determinations.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO FUND OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “●”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Annual Fee**” means in respect of the Certificate Fee, the percentage fee per annum, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. The Cash Amount on the Launch Date is zero. The Cash Amount can be negative;

“**Certificate Fee**” means an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent that will be calculated on a daily basis from the Launch Date in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Certificate Value**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Certificate Value shall not be less than zero.

The Certificate Value shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Day Count Fraction” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) the immediately preceding Trading Day to (and including) the relevant Trading Day, divided by 360;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange

Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means, with respect to a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means the fixed rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency, being 1 unit of the Underlying Currency for 1 unit of the Settlement Currency;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) equal to the NAV of the Fund as quoted by the fund manager of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded Fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in each case for the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of the relevant Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in each case for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Fund**” means the fund specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Fund Administrator**” means, in respect of the Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“**Fund Adviser**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-

discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“Fund Documents” means, with respect to any Fund or Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Prospectus” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Service Provider” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Hedging Agreement” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“Inclusion Date” means (i) in respect of the Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

(i) An Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

(ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Early Termination Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Merger Event” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results

in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“NAV” means net asset value;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“**Quanto Maintenance Fee**” means such fee deemed relevant by the Calculation Agent in determining the costs associated with arranging the Exchange Rate in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee will be calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis from the Launch Date in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. If the Issuer realises a profit when arranging the Exchange Rate the Quanto Maintenance Fee could be negative;

“**Quanto Maintenance Fee Level**” means with respect to the Launch Date, the Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level per annum and thereafter the relevant Quanto Maintenance Fee Level as determined by the Calculation Agent per annum. The Calculation Agent may, on a daily basis, reset the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level in its sole discretion having regard to

prevailing market conditions, the correlation between the Fund and the prevailing rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency, interest rates of such currencies and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining the costs associated with arranging the quanto feature in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee Level can be negative;

“**Rate**” means the prevailing rate for the Settlement Currency with a designated maturity of either 1 month or overnight as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole discretion for each Day Count Fraction;

“**Reference Asset**” means the relevant interests in each Fund or if the Fund is an exchange traded fund the relevant interests specified as “Reference Assets” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Reference Price**” means, in respect of any day, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) equal to the NAV of the Fund as quoted by the fund manager for any particular day or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction, or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of the relevant Fund or where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in each case for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV price of the Fund or where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Related Exchange**” means, with respect to a Fund which is an exchange traded Fund, an options or future exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Fund are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an

American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Party**” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“**Replacement Fund**” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(b)(ii). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the fund open end quanto certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Substitution Date**” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“Trading Day” means (i) in respect of a Fund, any day on which dealing in the Fund can take place and (ii) in respect of a Fund that is an exchange traded fund any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“Underlying Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or if such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent or the Issuer on its behalf, either:

- (i) An Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly; and

“Valuation Time” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Certificate Value.

- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Certificate Value or Cash Amount.
- (f) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “Notice”) to (i) a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Certificate Value (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;

- (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
 - (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Certificate Value (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
 - (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where t any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

(a) Fund Events. Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

(i) Global Events:

(A) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund’s portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

- (B) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.
- (C) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.
- (D) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.

- (E) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund

becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(a)(i)(E)(a) through 4(a)(i)(E)(f) above.

- (F) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (G) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (H) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
- (I) In respect of any Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (J) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure

limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant Affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Reference Assets held by them.

- (K) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
 - (L) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.
- (ii) NAV/Price and Reporting:
- (A) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Reference Assets on the Exchange.
 - (B) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.
 - (C) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefor set out in such documents.

- (D) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.
- (E) (i) In respect of any Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring

the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Reference Assets).

(iii) Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Reference Assets occurs:

- (A) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (B) a portion of each Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of "side-pocket" which affects the Reference Assets;
- (C) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (D) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund; or

(iv) Trading and Fees:

- (A) In respect of the Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Reference Assets as of such date).

- (B) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.
- (C) The frequency at which Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
- (D) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:
 - (I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or
 - (II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.
- (v) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:
 - (A) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.
 - (B) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.
 - (C) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the

resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.

(D) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Reference Assets.

(vi) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in subparagraphs (i) to (v) above.

(b) Consequences of a Fund Event. In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a “**Permitted Action**”):

(i) (A) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (B) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or

(ii) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (A) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (B) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (C) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or

- (iii) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iv) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (A) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (B) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (A) or (B) of this clause 4(b)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (C) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (A), (B) or (C), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(b), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

(c) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:

- (i) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.
- (ii) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
- (iii) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any

fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.

- (d) The Issuer shall give notice in accordance with General Condition 4 of any calculation or determination made by it or the Calculation Agent pursuant to this Product Condition 4 as soon as practicable after it has been made. The Issuer shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such calculations and determinations.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX OPEN END CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Early Termination Amount**” means, (if any) and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Cash Amount;

“**Early Termination Date**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day on which the Early Termination Event occurs or,

if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Markets Disruption Event) has occurred on such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Early Termination Event” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without

regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares or other securities that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Exchange Rate**” means the Exchange Rate on the Issuer Call Date, the Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Exercise Date;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, the Early Termination Date (if any) or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including

the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Fee**” means the fee (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, which fee will accrue on a daily basis and be calculated by the Calculation Agent on each Trading Day in accordance with the formula (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Exchange Rate**” means the Exchange Rate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call Date**” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption

Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Maintenance Fee” means any fees or costs which would be incurred by a person entering into hedging arrangements, whether at the inception of the hedge and/or liquidation of corresponding hedge, or on simultaneous liquidation and re-establishment of a hedge, as determined by the Calculation Agent at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, but subject to the Maximum Maintenance Fee;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maximum Maintenance Fee” means the fee specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. The Calculation Agent may, on a daily basis, reset the Maximum Maintenance Fee in its sole discretion having regard to prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining the costs associated with hedging its obligations in respect of the Securities;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the index open end certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the term **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form will be issued in bearer form and, the Securities are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed

accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Early Termination Event: Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Early Termination Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or the occurrence of an Early Termination Event (if applicable), and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount as the case may be.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount or Early Termination Amount.

- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not

formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or

- (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (i) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index (as determined by the Calculation Agent) if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
- (ii) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.
 - (1) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the **“Successor Sponsor”**) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (2) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Issuer Call Date as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level(s) for the Index on the Valuation Date, Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (3) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (i) Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to

existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date, Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Issuer Call Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (4) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further certificates, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such further issue, adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.
- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Annual Fee**” means in respect of the Certificate Fee, the percentage fee per annum, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Certificate Fee**” means an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent that will be calculated on a daily basis from the Launch Date in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Certificate Value**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Certificate Value shall not be less than zero. The Certificate Value shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Day Count Fraction” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) the immediately preceding Trading Day to (and including) the relevant Trading Day, divided by 360;

“Early Termination Amount” means, (if any) and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Certificate Value;

“Early Termination Date” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day on which the Early Termination Event occurs or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on such day, in which case the applicable Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Early Termination Event” means the event or events (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or

- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares or other securities that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the fixed rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency, being 1 unit of the Underlying Currency for 1 unit of the Settlement Currency;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, the Early Termination Date (if any) or the Issuer

Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Fee**” means the fee (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, which fee will accrue on a daily basis and be calculated by the Calculation Agent on each Trading Day in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Quanto Fee Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Issue Date;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Maintenance Fee” means any fees or costs which would be incurred by a person entering into hedging arrangements, whether at the inception of the hedge and/or liquidation of corresponding hedge, or on simultaneous liquidation and re-establishment of a hedge, as determined by the Calculation Agent at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, but subject to the Maximum Maintenance Fee;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maximum Maintenance Fee” means the fee specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. The Calculation Agent may, on a daily basis,

reset the Maximum Maintenance Fee in its sole discretion having regard to prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining the costs associated with hedging its obligations in respect of the Securities;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Quanto Fee” means such fee deemed relevant by the Calculation Agent in determining the costs associated with arranging the Exchange Rate in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Fee will accrue and be calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis from the Issue Date on each Trading Day in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Quanto Fee Day Count Fraction” means the number of calendar days between (but excluding) the immediately preceding Trading Day to (and including) the relevant Trading Day, divided by 360;

“Quanto Fee Level” means the Initial Quanto Fee Level and thereafter such other level as may be determined by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may, on a daily basis, reset the Quanto Fee Level in its sole discretion having regard to prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining the costs associated with hedging its obligations in respect of the Securities;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee” means such fee deemed relevant by the Calculation Agent in determining the costs associated with arranging the Exchange Rate in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee will be calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis from the Launch Date on each Trading Day in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. If the Issuer realises a profit when arranging the Exchange Rate the Quanto Maintenance Fee could be negative;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee Level” means with respect to the Launch Date, the Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level per annum and thereafter the relevant Quanto Maintenance Fee Level as determined by the Calculation Agent per annum. The Calculation Agent may, on a daily basis, reset the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level in its sole discretion having regard to prevailing market conditions, the correlation between the Index and the prevailing rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency, interest rates of such currencies and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining

the costs associated with arranging the quanto feature in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee Level can be negative;

“**Rate**” means the prevailing rate for the Settlement Currency with a designated maturity of either 1 month or overnight as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole discretion for each Day Count Fraction;

“**Reference Price**” means, in respect of any day, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on such day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the index open end quanto certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities as set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent

Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (c) Early Termination Event: Upon the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Early Termination Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Early Termination Event occurs prior to an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or the occurrence of an Early Termination Event (if applicable), and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Certificate Value if Certificate Value is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and otherwise the Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount, as the case may be.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Certificate Value if Certificate Value is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and otherwise the Cash Amount or the Early Termination Amount, as the case may be.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;

- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Certificate Value, the Early Termination Amount or the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.

(i) Settlement. Provided no Early Termination Event has occurred, the Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Certificate Value (if any) if Certificate Value is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and otherwise the Cash Amount for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.

(j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

(k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

(l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any

circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (i) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index (as determined by the Calculation Agent) if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a

comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or

- (ii) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.

- (1) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (2) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Issuer Call Date as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level(s) for the Index on the Valuation Date, the Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined

by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (3) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (i) Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date, the Early Termination Date (if applicable) or the Issuer Call Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the

Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (4) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further certificates, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.
- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO TOTAL RETURN MONEY MARKET INDEX OPEN END CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or

- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which could be zero and which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent to be equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date (in the case of an Exercise) or the Issuer Call Date (in the case of an Issuer Call), as adjusted by the Calculation Agent taking into consideration factors such as volume size and liquidity, and without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market

conditions, the last reported Exchange Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the a corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index at a specified time as determined by the Index Sponsor and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the level as specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Date**” means the relevant first Trading Day of each month specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final

Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Exchange Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“**Issuer Call Notice Period**” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the total return money market index open end certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to

the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Exchange Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) **Exercise.** The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) **Issuer Call.** The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Issuer Call Date, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (d) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following

Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

- (e) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (f) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;

- (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal

Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent (as the case may be) as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where t any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

(A) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Exchange Rate in the inter-bank market; or
- (b) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (c) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Settlement Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Settlement Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (d) Nationalisation. There is any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency; or

- (e) Illiquidity. There is any impossibility in obtaining a firm quote for the Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (f) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Exchange Rate.

(B) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO BASKET OPEN END CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each of the Basket Constituents specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Basket Constituents**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“Constituent Closing Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Basket Constituent, the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms as quoted at the close of trading on the Exchange as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms of such Basket Constituent having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent and such other markets factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, converted into the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate, if applicable;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such Exchange;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer or other taxes or duties and/or any bid/offer spread incurred upon liquidation of the hedge arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the sum of the product for each Basket Constituent of (a) the Constituent Closing Price on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and (b) the Number of Units for such Basket Constituent;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Price**” means in respect of each Basket Constituent, the Constituent Closing Price on Issue Date - 1;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date - 1**” means the Trading Day immediately preceding the Issue Date unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issue Date - 1 shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation

Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately succeeding the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issue Date - 1. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issue Date - 1 (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Constituent Closing Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituents and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and if such day is not a Trading Day with respect to any Basket Constituent, then in respect of such Basket Constituent, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituents and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Number of Units” means in relation to each Basket Constituent:

(A) on the Issue Date:

(Initial Reference Price x Weight) / Initial Price; and

(B) on each Re-weighting Day:

(Re-weighting Reference Price x Weight of such Basket Constituent) / Constituent Closing Price of such Basket Constituent on such Re-weighting Day - 1;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“Reference Price” means on any day, an amount equal to the sum of the product for each Basket Constituent of (a) the Constituent Closing Price and (b) the Number of Units for such Basket Constituent;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Basket Constituents are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement

Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Re-weighting Reference Price**” means an amount equal to the sum of the product for each Basket Constituent of (a) the Constituent Closing Price on Re-weighting Day – 1 and (b) the Number of Units for such Basket Constituent on the relevant Re-weighting Day - 1;

“**Re-weighting Day**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Re-weighting Day - 1**” means the Trading Day immediately preceding the relevant Re-weighting Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Re-weighting Day - 1 shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately succeeding the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Re-weighting Day - 1. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Re-weighting Day – 1 (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Constituent Closing Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituents and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the basket open end certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy,

Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means, with respect to the Basket, any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on all the Exchanges and any Related Exchanges other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchanges is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Basket Constituent in which case, in respect of such Basket Constituent, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Weight**” means for each Basket Constituent, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through

whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) **Exercise.** The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) **Issuer Call.** The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (d) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Basket Constituents.

- (f) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or

- (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the

delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

- (k) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount paid in connection with the Securities will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.**

The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise): (A) the Basket Constituents on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Basket Constituents are traded; or (B) any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Basket Constituent on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

(b) Adjustments to the Basket

If a De-Listing occurs with respect to a Basket Constituent or a Basket Constituent is for any reason cancelled, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Basket Constituent by a successor basket constituent which has in the determination of the Calculation Agent the same or a substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact and is linked to the same commodity as such Basket Constituent or (B) remove the de-listed or cancelled Basket Constituent and allocate the Reference Price of such Basket Constituent as of the effective date of the de-listing or cancellation pro rata to the remaining Basket Constituents.

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to the foregoing paragraph.

“De-listing” means a Basket Constituent for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Basket Constituent is listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Basket

Constituent is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO ASSET OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means the fixed rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency, being 1 unit of the Underlying Currency for 1 unit of the Settlement Currency;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) equal to the price of the Reference Asset at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction, less accrued Quanto Maintenance Fee or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price of the Reference Asset can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Reference Asset on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, less accrued Quanto Maintenance Fee;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level**” means the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call Date**” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption

Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee” means such fee deemed relevant by the Calculation Agent in determining the costs associated with arranging the Exchange Rate in respect of the Certificates. The Quanto Maintenance Fee will accrue on a daily basis from the Launch Date and be calculated by the Calculation Agent on each day in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. If the Issuer realises a profit when arranging the Exchange Rate, the Quanto Maintenance Fee could be negative;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee Day Count Fraction” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) the immediately preceding Trading Day to (and including) the relevant Trading Day, divided by 360;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee Level” means, with respect to the Launch Date, the Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level and thereafter the relevant Quanto Maintenance Fee Level as determined by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may, on a daily basis, reset the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level in its sole discretion having regard to prevailing market conditions, the correlation between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency, interest rates of such currencies and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems

relevant in determining the costs associated with hedging its obligations in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee Level can be negative;

“**Reference Asset**” means the asset specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset is traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the asset open end quanto certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities are issued in bearer form are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing

Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which

is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) **Exercise.** The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) **Issuer Call.** The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (d) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

- (f) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or

- (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the

delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

- (k) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the

disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise): (A) the Reference Asset on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Reference Asset is traded; or (B) any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Reference Asset on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or

- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Issuer of the Reference Asset of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Reference Asset and, if so, will:
 - (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Reference Assets traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Reference Assets.

- (c) If a De-Listing occurs with respect to the Reference Asset or it is for any reason cancelled, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either

(A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Reference Asset by a successor reference asset which has in the determination of the Calculation Agent the same or substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact, and is linked to the same asset as such Reference Asset or (B) make any other adjustment as it sees fit.

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to the foregoing paragraph.

“**De-listing**” means the Reference Asset for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Reference Asset is listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Reference Asset is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO FUND BASKET OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”) each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Annual Fee**” means in respect of the Certificate Fee, the percentage fee per annum, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each of the Basket Constituents specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Basket Constituents**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Basket Constituent Administrator**” means, in respect of the Basket Constituent, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Basket Constituent according to the Basket Constituent Documents;

“**Basket Constituent Adviser**” means, in respect of any Basket Constituent, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Basket Constituent;

“Basket Constituent Documents” means, with respect to any Basket Constituent or Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Basket Constituent or Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Basket Constituent or Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“Basket Constituent Prospectus” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Basket Constituent and, in relation to any Replacement Basket Constituent, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Basket Constituent and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“Basket Constituent Service Provider” means, in respect of any Basket Constituent, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Basket Constituent, whether or not specified in the Basket Constituent Documents or the Basket Constituent Prospectus, including but not limited to any Basket Constituent Adviser, Basket Constituent Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“Basket Launch Date” means date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Basket Level” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of Basket Level for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Business Day” means subject as provided in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“Cash Amount” means unless “Cash Amount is specified as “Not Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate Fee**” means an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent that will be calculated on a daily basis from the Launch Date in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Certificate Value**” means unless “Certificate Value” is specified as “Not Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of Certificate Value for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses provided that the Certificate Value shall not be less than zero. The Certificate Value shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Composition Charges**” means all customary and usual execution fees, commissions, clearing and custody charges, contract transaction costs, or other fees or expenses and any associated documentary or other taxes that the Calculation Agent determines would have applied if there had been a sale, realisation, close-out or purchase, acquisition or entry into of a Basket Constituent;

“**Day Count Fraction**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) the immediately preceding Trading Day to (and including) the relevant Trading Day, divided by 360;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared

moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means, unless “Entitlement” is specified as “Not Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in applicable Final Terms, the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means, with respect to a Basket Constituent which is an exchange traded fund, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the fixed rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency, being 1 unit of the Underlying Currency for 1 unit of the Settlement Currency;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless “Final Reference Price” is specified as “Not Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in applicable Final Terms and unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) equal to the NAV of the Basket Constituent as quoted by the fund manager of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in each case for the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation

Agent as its estimate of the NAV of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in each case for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV or price of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Fund Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Hedging Agreement**” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Basket Constituent, the Basket Constituent Adviser, any other Basket Constituent Service Provider or the directors of the Basket Constituent;

“**Inclusion Date**” means (i) in respect of the Basket Constituent, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Basket Constituent, means the Substitution Date of that Basket Constituent;

“**Initial Basket Level**” means the Initial Basket Level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either

(i) An Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Certificate Value having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

(ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Issuer Call Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Merger Event” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv)

consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Notional Transaction Price**” means the Price at which the relevant Basket Constituent would notionally have been acquired or disposed of (as appropriate) at the relevant time as such Basket Constituent is notionally included in or removed from the Basket, taking into account any applicable Composition Charges. Where a Basket Constituent is to be notionally removed from the Basket, its Notional Transaction Price shall be on the basis of its disposal and where an asset is notionally to be included, its Notional Transaction Price shall be on the basis of its acquisition. The Notional Transaction Price may be determined as the weighted average acquisition or disposal price over a period of several Trading Days if the Calculation Agent deems this to be appropriate;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Performance**” means the performance of each Basket Constituent calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

Reference Price on a Re-weighting Date / Reference Price on a Re-weighting Date - 1;

“**Price**” means the price as determined by the Calculation Agent from such price sources as it shall determine, including without limitation the trading price at which a Basket Constituent is or would be traded;

“**Quanto Maintenance Fee**” means such fee deemed relevant by the Calculation Agent in determining the costs associated with arranging the Exchange Rate in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee will be calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis from the Launch Date in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of Quanto Maintenance Fee for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee Level” means, unless otherwise provided in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, with respect to the Launch Date, the Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level per annum and thereafter the relevant Quanto Maintenance Fee Level as determined by the Calculation Agent per annum. The Calculation Agent may, on a daily basis, reset the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level in its sole discretion having regard to prevailing market conditions, the correlation between the Basket Constituent and the prevailing rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency, interest rates of such currencies and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining the costs associated with arranging the quanto feature in respect of the Securities. The Quanto Maintenance Fee Level can be negative;

“Portfolio Guidelines” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Basket Constituent and as set out in the relevant Basket Constituent Prospectus and/or the relevant Basket Constituent Documents;

“Rate” means, unless “Rate” is specified as “Not Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise provided in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the prevailing rate for the Settlement Currency with a designated maturity of either 1 month or overnight as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole discretion for each Day Count Fraction;

“Reference Asset” means the relevant interests in each Basket Constituent or if the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund the relevant interests specified as “Reference Assets” in the definition of Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Reference Price” means, in respect of any day, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) equal to the NAV of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange as quoted by the fund manager for any particular day, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction, or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in each case for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV or price of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the last

reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Related Exchange” means, with respect to a Basket Constituent which is an exchange traded fund, an options or future exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Basket Constituent are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“ADR”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“GDR”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Party” means each of the Basket Constituent and the Basket Constituent Adviser;

“Replacement Basket Constituent” means, in relation to a Basket Constituent, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Basket Constituent in accordance with clause 4(b)(ii). Such Replacement Basket Constituent will have a similar risk profile as the Basket Constituent replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“Re-weighting Dates” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and **“Re-weighting Date”** shall be construed accordingly;

“Re-weighting Date - 1” means the Trading Day immediately preceding the relevant Re-weighting Date unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Basket Constituent, in which case the Re-

weighting Date - 1 shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately succeeding the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Re-weighting Date - 1. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Re-weighting Date - 1 (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Re-weighting Table” means the table specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the fund basket open end quanto certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the term **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Substitution Date” means, in relation to a Basket Constituent, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Basket Constituent by a Replacement Basket Constituent.

“Trading Day” means (i) in respect of a Basket Constituent, any day on which dealing in the Basket Constituent can take place and (ii) in respect of a Basket Constituent that is an exchange traded fund any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading

on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

(i) An Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

(ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

and

“**Weight**” means subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the percentage weight of the Basket Value allocated to each Basket Constituent which on the Basket Launch Date shall be the Initial Weight and thereafter the Basket shall be re-weighted on each Re-weighting Date in accordance with the Re-weighting Table based on the Performance of each Basket Constituent.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the

Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Certificate Value.
- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following

Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

- (e) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Certificate Value or Cash Amount.
- (f) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Certificate Value (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;

- (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Certificate Value (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal

Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

(a) Fund Events. Each of the following events constitutes a “Fund Event”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Reference Assets or the NAV of the Basket Constituent or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Reference Assets or the Basket Constituent or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

(i) Global Events:

(A) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Basket Constituent has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Basket Constituent’s portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Basket Constituent as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Basket Constituent or the Basket Constituent Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Basket Constituent or the Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Basket Constituent and/or any Basket Constituent Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any

of the Basket Constituent Documents, the Basket Constituent Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

- (B) (a) the Basket Constituent is not being managed in accordance with the Basket Constituent Documents and/or the Basket Constituent Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Basket Constituent or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Basket Constituent was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Basket Constituent and/or any Basket Constituent Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Basket Constituent Documents.
- (C) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Basket Constituent or any Basket Constituent Service Provider or the directors of the Basket Constituent under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Basket Constituent or any Basket Constituent Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.
- (D) The activities of the Basket Constituent or any Basket Constituent Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Basket Constituent or any Basket

Constituent Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.

- (E) Written notification is given by the Basket Constituent or any Basket Constituent Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Reference Assets or to the Basket Constituent Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Basket Constituent or the Basket Constituent or any Basket Constituent Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Basket Constituent or any Basket Constituent Service Provider

over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Basket Constituent becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Basket Constituent or the relevant Basket Constituent Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(a)(i)(E)(a) through 4(a)(i)(E)(f) above.

- (F) The Basket Constituent or any Basket Constituent Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (G) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (H) The Basket Constituent or any Basket Constituent Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Basket Constituent and/or the quality of such services.
- (I) In respect of any Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Basket Constituent or there is a reduction in the number of such Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Basket Constituent for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (J) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Basket Constituent or the Reference Assets or (ii) the Basket Constituent or any Basket Constituent Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly

onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Basket Constituent or the Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant Affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Basket Constituent, to redeem all or some of the Reference Assets held by them.

- (K) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Basket Constituent (if the Basket Constituent is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
- (L) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.

(ii) NAV/Price and Reporting:

- (A) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Basket Constituent on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Basket Constituent Documents and/or the Basket Constituent Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Basket Constituent with the frequency set out in the Basket Constituent Documents and/or the Basket Constituent Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Reference Assets on the Exchange.
- (B) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Basket Constituent or any estimate of the NAV of the Basket Constituent from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of

the NAV of the Basket Constituent in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.

- (C) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Basket Constituent and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Basket Constituent Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Basket Constituent that was specified to be published in accordance with the Basket Constituent Documents or the Basket Constituent Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefore set out in such documents.
- (D) The audited NAV of the Basket Constituent varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Basket Constituent, or the auditors of the Basket Constituent qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Basket Constituent, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Basket Constituent published by or on behalf of the Basket Constituent in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Basket Constituent as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Basket Constituent using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Basket Constituent.
- (E) (i) In respect of any Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Basket Constituent, any Basket Constituent Service Provider or any director of the Basket Constituent to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the

Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Basket Constituent (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Basket Constituent's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Reference Assets).

(iii) Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Reference Assets occurs:

- (A) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (B) a portion of each Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Basket Constituent, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Basket Constituent, or the Basket Constituent creates any other form of "side-pocket" which affects the Reference Assets;
- (C) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Reference

Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;

- (D) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Basket Constituent; or
- (iv) Trading and Fees:
- (A) In respect of the Reference Assets, the Basket Constituent or any Basket Constituent Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Reference Assets as of such date).
 - (B) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Basket Constituent or on trading in the Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Basket Constituent or the Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.
 - (C) The frequency at which Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Basket Constituent Documents and/or Basket Constituent Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
 - (D) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:
 - (I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the

Basket Constituent Documents or the Basket Constituent Prospectus; or

- (II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.

- (v) Basket Constituent Adviser and Basket Constituent Service Provider Failures:
 - (A) The Basket Constituent Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Basket Constituent will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.
 - (B) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Basket Constituent Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Basket Constituent have been breached and not cured.
 - (C) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Basket Constituent Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Basket Constituent Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Basket Constituent or (b) any change in the personnel of any Basket Constituent Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Basket Constituent Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Basket Constituent.
 - (D) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Basket Constituent or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position

and prospects of the Basket Constituent and of the rights attaching to the Reference Assets.

- (vi) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in subparagraphs (i) to (v) above.
- (b) Consequences of a Fund Event. In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a “**Permitted Action**”):
 - (i) (A) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (B) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
 - (ii) select a Replacement Basket Constituent and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (A) the Replacement Basket Constituent shall replace the affected Basket Constituent on the Substitution Date, (B) references herein to the name of the affected Basket Constituent shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Basket Constituent with effect from the Substitution Date and (C) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or
 - (iii) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
 - (iv) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (A) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the

Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (B) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (A) or (B) of this clause 4(b)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (C) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (A), (B) or (C), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(b), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

(c) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:

- (i) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Basket Constituent provided or published by or on behalf of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Basket Constituent or Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as

representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.

- (ii) Should the Basket Constituent operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Basket Constituent, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
- (iii) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.
- (d) The Issuer shall give notice in accordance with General Condition 4 of any calculation or determination made by it or the Calculation Agent pursuant to this Product Condition 4 as soon as practicable after it has been made. The Issuer shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such calculations and determinations.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX BASKET OPEN END CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”) each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Annual Fee**” means the percentage fee per annum, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Best Performing Index**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Re-weighting Day, the Index that performed the best compared to the other Indexes in the Basket according to the following formula:

$$\text{Index Closing Price}_t / \text{Index Closing Price}_{t-1}$$

Where:

t = Re-weighting Day - 2

t-1 = (i) the immediately preceding Re-weighting Day - 2 or (ii) in respect of the first Re-weighting Day the Index Closing Price on the last Trading Day of the second preceding calendar month, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Best Performing Index may be an Index subject to an adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 3(b). Where more than one Index is described as the Best Performing Index, the Issuer shall select one such Index as the Best Performing Index in its sole and absolute discretion. Notice to the Holders shall be delivered in accordance with General Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Day Count Fraction**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) the immediately preceding Trading Day to (and including) the relevant Trading Day, divided by 360;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared

moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer or other taxes or duties and/or any bid/offer spread incurred upon liquidation of the hedge arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means each index specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Closing Price**” means, in respect of each Index and any day, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the level of such Index at the Valuation Time on such day, as determined by or on

behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such day having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, converted into the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate, if applicable;

“Initial Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Index, the Index Closing Price on Issue Date - 1;

“Initial Reference Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date - 1” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Trading Day immediately preceding the Issue Date unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issue Date - 1 shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately succeeding the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issue Date - 1. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issue Date - 1 (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Closing Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and if such day is not a Trading Day, the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market

Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Closing Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Notional Dividend Amount” means an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the sum of the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Shares which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional Dividend Period net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty without regard to any tax credits, and less any Expenses;

“Notional Dividend Period” means each period from (and including) a Re-weighting Day to (but excluding) the earlier of the next following Re-weighting Day or the Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be;

“Number of Units” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in relation to each Index:

(a) on the Launch Date:

$(\text{Initial Reference Price} \times \text{Weight}) / \text{Initial Price}$; and

(b) on each Re-weighting Day:

$(\text{Re-weighting Reference Price} \times \text{Weight of such Index}) / \text{Index Closing Price of the Best Performing Index on Re-weighting Day} - 2$;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange

and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, on any day, an amount equal to the sum of the product for each Index of (a) the Index Closing Price plus any Notional Dividend Amount and (b) the Number of Units for such Index;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Index are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Re-weighting Reference Price**” means an amount equal to the sum of the product for each Index of (a) the Index Closing Price on Re-weighting Day – 1 plus any Notional Dividend Amount and (b) the Number of Units for such Index on the relevant Re-weighting Day - 1;

“**Re-weighting Day**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Re-weighting Day - 1**” means the Trading Day immediately preceding the relevant Re-weighting Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Re-weighting Day - 1 shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately succeeding the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Re-weighting Day - 1. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Re-weighting Day – 1 (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Closing Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“**Re-weighting Day - 2**” means the second Trading Day immediately preceding the relevant Re-weighting Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Re-weighting Day - 2 shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately succeeding the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Re-weighting Day - 1. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Re-weighting Day – 1 (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Closing Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the index basket open end certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or if such day is not a Trading Day the next succeeding Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Closing Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means for each Index, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket or as specified elsewhere in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the

Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following

Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

- (e) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount or in the determination of any Notional Dividend Amount.
- (f) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;

- (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to (the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise), (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below:
- (i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the **“Successor Sponsor”**) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a

material change in the formula for, or the method of, calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index, then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (G) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (aa) Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash

dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date; (G) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further certificates, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.
- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new

factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO SINGLE STOCK OPEN END CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”) each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Dividend Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Security, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Shares, net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant

double tax treaty without regard to any tax credits, and less any Expenses, multiplied by the Entitlement where the ex dividend date for such dividends falls on a date during the period from (and including) the Issue Date to (and including) the relevant Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at that time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Fee” means the fee (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time for the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate; **“Issue Date”** means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first

succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer, the circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Share are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not

limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the share open end certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Share**” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Company**” means the share company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a

day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to the Share or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes,

other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (d) Dividend Amount. Unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms means the Holder is entitled to receive the Dividend Amount within ten Business Days following the receipt by the Issuer of the dividend and/or cash distribution to which it relates and the person entitled to receive such payment in respect of such Dividend Amount shall be the person who is shown in the records of the Clearing Agent(s) as the beneficial holder of such Security on the date of receipt by the Issuer. For the avoidance of any doubt, if the ex dividend date occurs before a Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, but the date of receipt of the dividend and/or cash distribution by the Issuer is on or after such Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, the person entitled to receive the Dividend Amount to which it relates shall be the person who is shown in the records of the Clearing Agent(s) as the beneficial holder of such Security on such Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date; *provided that* in no event shall the Issuer be obliged to take any action whatsoever in pursuit of payment of any dividend as a result of the Share Company failing to pay any such dividend when due.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following

Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount or Dividend Amount.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.

- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (A) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (B) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;

- (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
- (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
- (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) **Potential Adjustment Events.** Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
- (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:
- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or

- (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“**De-listing**” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**” means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer, a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO MULTI-ASSET BASKET OPEN END CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Share or Commodity, as the case may be, specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Basket Constituents**” means each or all of the Shares and Commodities as the case may be;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s)

as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Commodity**” means each commodity specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Commodities**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Constituent Closing Price**” means, in respect of each Basket Constituent, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) equal to the price of such Basket Constituent on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of such Basket Constituent on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of such Basket Constituent on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent

of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

(iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means, with respect to each Basket Constituent, the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, in relation to each Basket Constituent and where applicable, the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer or other taxes or duties and/or any bid/offer spread incurred upon liquidation of the hedge arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, in relation to each Basket Constituent, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the sum of the product for each Basket Constituent of (a) the Constituent Closing Price on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and (b) the Number of Units for such Basket Constituent;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Initial Price” means in respect of each Basket Constituent, the Constituent Closing Price on Issue Date - 1;

“Initial Reference Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date - 1” means the Trading Day immediately preceding the Issue Date unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issue Date - 1 shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately succeeding the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issue Date - 1. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issue Date - 1 (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Constituent Closing Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituents and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and if such day is not a Trading Day with respect to any Basket Constituent, then in respect of such Basket Constituent, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market

conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituents and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“**Issuer Call Notice Period**” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Number of Units**” means in relation to each Basket Constituent:

(A) on the Issue Date:

$(\text{Initial Reference Price} \times \text{Weight}) / \text{Initial Price}$; and

(B) on each Re-weighting Day:

$(\text{Re-weighting Reference Price} \times \text{Weight of such Basket Constituent}) / \text{Constituent Closing Price of such Basket Constituent on such Re-weighting Day} - 1$;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Reference Price**” means on any day, an amount equal to the sum of the product for each Basket Constituent of (a) the Constituent Closing Price and (b) the Number of Units for such Basket Constituent;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Basket Constituents are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an

American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Re-weighting Reference Price**” means an amount equal to the sum of the product for each Basket Constituent of (a) the Constituent Closing Price on Re-weighting Day - 1 and (b) the Number of Units for such Basket Constituent on the relevant Re-weighting Day - 1;

“**Re-weighting Day**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Re-weighting Day - 1**” means the Trading Day immediately preceding the relevant Re-weighting Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Re-weighting Day - 1 shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately succeeding the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Re-weighting Day - 1. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Re-weighting Day - 1 (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Constituent Closing Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituents and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the multi-asset basket open end certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Share**” means each of the shares specified as such in the definition of Basket for the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4, and “**Shares**” shall be continued accordingly;

“**Share Company**” means, in relation to each Share, the share company specified as such in the definition of Basket in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means, with respect to the Basket, any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on all the Exchanges and any Related Exchanges other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchanges is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means, in relation to each Basket Constituent, the currency specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Basket Constituent in which case, in respect of such Basket Constituent, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Valuation Time**” means, in relation to each Basket Constituent the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means, in relation to each Basket Constituent, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in the Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (c) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U. S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.
- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.

- (f) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;

- (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (m) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption in relation to a Commodity.

The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (i) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price of the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (ii) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (iii) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading of the Commodity to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity, on the Exchange; or
- (iv) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (v) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Commodity; or
- (vi) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (vii) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or

similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (viii) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (ix) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (x) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

(b) Market Disruption in relation to a Share.

The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or

- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (c) Potential Adjustment Events in relation to a Share. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:

- (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
- (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (A) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (B) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (aa) such Shares, or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent., per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (E) a call by the Share

Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (F) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (G) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

(d) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (1), (2) or (3) below:

- (1) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
- (2) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (3) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on

any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (1) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (2) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (3) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an

irrevocable commitment to transfer, a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (1) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (2) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (e) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO SPREAD OPEN END CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Absolute Notional Position**” means as of the Launch Date, the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount expressed in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent on each Trading Day equal to:

$$\text{ANP}(t) = 100 \times \left(\frac{S_1(t)}{S_1(0)} + \frac{S_2(t)}{S_2(0)} \right)$$

Where:

ANP(t) = Absolute Notional Position on Trading Day t;

$S_1(0)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Initial Reference Asset Price, converted into the Settlement Currency at the Initial Exchange Rate, if applicable;

$S_1(t)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price, converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if applicable;

$S_2(0)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Initial Reference Asset Price, converted into the Settlement Currency at the Initial Exchange Rate, if applicable;

$S_2(t)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price, converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if applicable;

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Additional Market Disruption Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Applicable Dividends**” means, where Dividends is specified as being Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) in respect of the Long Reference Asset, an amount equal to all cash dividends and/or other cash distributions declared in respect of the Share(s) or Fund which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the current Dividend Period net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty and without reference to tax credits, and less Expenses, and (ii) in respect of the Short Reference Asset, an amount equal to all cash dividends and/or other cash distributions declared in respect of the Share(s) or Fund which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the current Dividend Period without regard to any withholding tax or other deductions multiplied by the prevailing percentage payable under standard stock borrow agreements, as observed by The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., and less Expenses;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

(a) Upon Exercise:

(Final Reference Price + Daily Cash Amount) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or

(b) Following an Issuer Automatic Call Event:

(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price + Daily Cash Amount) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Automatic Call Cash Amount**”); or

(c) Upon an Issuer Call:

(Termination Reference Price + Daily Cash Amount) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or

(d) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price + Daily Cash Amount) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate Fee**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount in the Settlement Currency that will be calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis from the Launch Date in accordance with the following formula:

$$CF(t) = F \times DCF(t-1,t) \times ANP(t-1)$$

Where:

CF(t) = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t;

F = Certificate Fee Level;

DCF(t-1,t) = Day Count Fraction between the immediately preceding Trading Day (t-1) and Trading Day t;

ANP(t-1) = Absolute Notional Position at the Valuation Time on the immediately preceding Trading Day (t-1);

“**Certificate Fee Level**” means the percentage fee per annum, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Certificate Value**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$CV(t) = [RASL(t) + CA(t)] \times CE$$

Where:

CV(t) = Certificate Value on Trading Day t;

RASL(t) = Reference Asset Spread Level on Trading Day t;

CA (t) = Daily Cash Amount on Trading Day t; and

CE = Entitlement;

provided that the Certificate Value shall not be less than zero;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearing system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Commodity**” means each Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Daily Cash Amount**” means as of the Launch Date, the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$CA(t) = CA(t - 1) \times (1 + DCF(t - 1, t) \times Rate_{t-1}) - MF(t) + D(t)$$

Where:

CA(t) = Daily Cash Amount on Trading Day t;

CA(t-1) = Daily Cash Amount on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;

DCF(t-1,t) = Day Count Fraction between Trading Day (t-1) and Trading Day t;

Rate_{t-1} = Rate on immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;

CF(t) = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t; and

D(t) = (i) If Dividends are specified as being Applicable, the Dividend Amount on Trading Day t, and otherwise (ii) zero;

“**Day Count Fraction**” means the day count fraction specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Dividend Amount**” means, where Dividends are specified as being Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the sum of the product for each Reference Asset of (a) the Applicable Dividends converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, and (b) the Weighting for such Reference Asset. This amount may be negative;

“**Dividend Period**” means a period from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Dividends**” are either Applicable or Not Applicable, as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means (i) in respect of an Index, the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares or other securities that comprise the Index (the “**Index Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system, and otherwise (ii) in respect of a Commodity, Fund which is an exchange traded fund or a Share, the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system. “Exchanges” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Reference Asset Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Reference Asset Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to a Stop Loss Event or Issuer Automatic Call Event, the third Business Day preceding a Valuation Date;

“Exercise Time” means 10.00 am (C.E.T.);

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Spread Level at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“Fund” means each Reference Asset specified as such (including exchange traded funds) in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Administrator” means, in respect of any Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“Fund Adviser” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“Fund Documents” means, with respect to any Fund or Fund Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Fund Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Fund Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4(d) and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Prospectus” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of a Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“**Fund Reference Asset**” means the relevant interests in each Fund or if the Fund is an exchange traded fund the relevant interests specified as “Fund Reference Assets” in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Fund Service Provider**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Hedging Agreement**” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“**Inclusion Date**” means (i) in respect of any Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“**Index**” means each Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Exchange Rate**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in relation to each Reference Asset, the Exchange Rate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Asset Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Automatic Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Automatic Call Date” means a day on which an Issuer Automatic Call Event occurs;

“Issuer Automatic Call Event” occurs if on any Trading Day from and including the Launch Date either (i) the Certificate Value at the Valuation Time (unless a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event is occurring at such time) is less than the Minimum Certificate Value, or (ii) the Leverage at the Valuation Time (unless a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event is occurring at such time) is greater than the Maximum Leverage;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (A) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (B) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset Spread Level and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Issuer Call Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“**Issuer Call Notice Period**” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Leverage**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in respect of any Trading Day in accordance with the following formula:

$$L(t) = \frac{ANP(t)}{CV(t)}$$

Where:

L(t) = Leverage on Trading Day t;

ANP(t) = Absolute Notional Position on Trading Day t;

CV(t) = Certificate Value on Trading Day t;

“**Long Reference Asset**” means the Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maximum Leverage**” means the leverage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Merger Event**” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity

and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**Minimum Certificate Value**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, the circumstances so require;

“**Rate**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the prevailing rate for deposits in the Settlement Currency with a designated maturity of either 1 month or overnight (designated maturity selected by the Calculation Agent at its sole discretion), as determined by the Calculation Agent for each Day Count Fraction;

“**Reference Asset**” means each of the Long Reference Asset and Short Reference Asset as specified in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms (and together the “**Reference Assets**”), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Reference Asset Company**” means, in respect of each Share, the company specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Reference Asset Currency**” means, in respect of each Reference Asset, the currency specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reference Asset Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) in respect of an Index, the current level of such Index or if the Valuation Time has already passed, the closing level of such Index, (ii) in respect of a Share, a Fund which is an exchange traded fund or Commodity, the current price of such Share, Fund Reference Asset or Commodity, as the case may be, quoted on the Exchange, or if the Exchange has closed, the closing price of such Share, Fund Reference Asset or Commodity, (iii) in respect of a Fund, the NAV of the Fund as quoted by the fund manager or, in relation to all of (i) (ii) and (iii), (if in the determination of the Calculation Agent no such price, level or NAV can be determined and no Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) a price, level or NAV determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the price, level or NAV of the Reference Asset at such time having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price or NAV as applicable of (i) in respect of an Index, the Index Shares, (ii) in respect of a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, the Fund Reference Asset on the Exchange and otherwise (iii) the Reference Asset on the Exchange, if applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

(A) a Market Disruption Event occurs on any day which is not the Issuer Call Date nor the Valuation Date, in which case the Reference Asset Price shall be deemed to be the Reference Asset Price on the previous Trading Day, save that if a Market Disruption Event occurs on the Relevant Number of Trading Days preceding such date, then on the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days preceding such date the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Reference Asset Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of (i) in respect of an Index, the Index Shares, and otherwise (ii) the Reference Asset on the Exchange, if applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant and such day shall be deemed to be a day on which a Market Disruption Event does not occur for the purposes of this definition); or

(B) a Fund Event occurs on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Reference Asset Price shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Reference Asset Spread Level” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, which may be a negative amount, expressed in the Settlement Currency and determined by the Spread Index Agent on any Trading Day equal to:

$$RASL(t) = 100 \times \left(\frac{S_1(t)}{S_1(0)} - \frac{S_2(t)}{S_2(0)} \right)$$

Where:

RASL(t) = Reference Asset Spread Level on Trading Day t;

$S_1(0)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Initial Reference Asset Price, converted into the Settlement Currency at the Initial Exchange Rate, if applicable;

$S_1(t)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price, converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if applicable;

$S_2(0)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Initial Reference Asset Price, converted into the Settlement Currency at the Initial Exchange Rate, if applicable;

$S_2(t)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price, converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if applicable;

“Related Exchange” means in respect of the Reference Assets, an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded and **“Related Exchanges”** shall be construed accordingly;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Party” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“Replacement Fund” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(e)(B). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Securities” means the spread open end certificates relating to the Reference Assets and each a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the fifth Business Day following (i) the Valuation Date, (ii) the last day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period, or (iii) the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“Share” means each Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Short Reference Asset” means the Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Spread” means the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Spread Index Agent” means the agent specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and references to Spread Index Agent shall include any successor spread index agent;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or

such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if the Reference Asset Spread Level is at the Valuation Time on any Trading Day from and including the Launch Date, other than a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event, less than the Stop Loss Price;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount in the Settlement Currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Reference Asset Spread Level as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the unwinding of the hedging position on a best effort basis during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be equal to at least the lowest Reference Asset Spread Level during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period**” means (a) following an Issuer Automatic Call Event, the Issuer Automatic Call Date or if the Automatic Call Event occurs at the Valuation Time, the following Trading Day, or (b) following a Stop Loss Event, the Stop Loss Termination Date, or if the Stop Loss Event occurs at the Valuation Time, the following Trading Day;

“**Substitution Date**” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Spread Level at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means (i) in respect of an Index, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the index according to its rules, or (ii) in respect of a Share, Fund that is an exchange traded fund or Commodity, any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event, as applicable would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the

Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time, or (iii) in respect of a Fund, any day on which dealing in the Fund can take place;

“**Valuation Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one year after the Issue Date (or, following a valid Exercise, if later, three Trading Days following the Exercise Date) unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset Spread Level and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on that day in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“**Valuation Time**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series, (i) in respect of an Index, the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates and publishes the closing level of the Index, or (ii) in respect of a Share or Commodity, the close of trading on the Exchange, or (iii) in respect of a Fund (other than those Funds which are exchange traded funds), the time with reference to which the fund manager publishes the net asset value, or (iv) with respect to Funds which are exchange traded funds the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant series in the applicable Final Terms, or in relation to (i) (ii), (iii) or (iv) such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weighting**” means, in respect of each Reference Asset, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the weighting of the Reference

Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if weighting is not specified as such:

- (a) in respect of the Long Reference Asset:

100 units of the Settlement Currency
Initial Reference Asset Price converted into the Settlement Currency at the Initial Exchange Rate;

and

- (b) in respect of the Short Reference Asset:

-100 units of the Settlement Currency
Initial Reference Asset Price converted into the Settlement Currency at the Initial Exchange Rate,

subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “Holder” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in

accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event or Issuer Automatic Call Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically in whole but not in part and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call, Issuer Automatic Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise, an Issuer Automatic Call or a Stop Loss Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Issuer Automatic Call. Following an Issuer Automatic Call Event, the Securities will terminate automatically in whole but not in part. An Issuer Automatic Call Event will override an Issuer Call, and/or due Exercise if the Issuer Automatic Call Event occurs prior to an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (e) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Issuer Automatic Call Cash Amount, following Issuer Automatic Call; or
 - (iv) The Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (f) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

- (g) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Reference Assets.

- (h) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “Notice”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “U.S. person” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;

- (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (i) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (j) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (k) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (l) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (m) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where the any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In respect of a Share, “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise): (A) the Reference Assets on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Reference Assets are listed; or (B) any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Reference Assets on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

In respect of an Index, “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
- (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index (as determined by the Calculation Agent) if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage

contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or

- (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

In respect of a Commodity, “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price of the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (ii) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (iii) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity, on the Exchange; or
- (iv) Material Change in nature of or pricing method. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (v) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Commodity; or
- (vi) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or

- (vii) **Tax Disruption.** The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
 - (viii) **Trading Limitation.** The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
 - (ix) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
 - (x) **Other Events.** Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.
- (b) **Adjustment Events.**

In respect of a Share:

Following a declaration by a Reference Asset Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:

- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
- (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“**Potential Adjustment Event**” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or, a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Reference Asset Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Reference Asset Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Reference Asset Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

“**Merger Event**”, in this Product Condition 4(b) only, means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Reference Asset Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Reference Asset Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares of a Reference Asset Company); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer, a majority of the voting power of the Reference Asset Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date or Stop Loss Termination Date.

In respect of an Index:

- (i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the

same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (ii) If (A) on any day the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on any day the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Reference Asset Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on such day, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Index Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Index Shares of: (aa) Index Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Index Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Index Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or

dividend of any Index Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Index Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Index Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Index Shares; or (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Index Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.
- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency in respect of a Share. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Reference Asset Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:
 - (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that

adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or

- (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to fully account for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“**De-listing**” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**”, in this Product Condition 4(c) only, means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Reference Asset Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Reference Asset Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares of a Reference Asset Company); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer, a majority of the voting power of the Reference Asset Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date or Stop Loss Termination Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Reference Asset Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Reference Asset Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Reference Asset Company, (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Reference Asset Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) Fund Events.

Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Fund Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Fund Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

(A) Global Events:

- (1) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund’s portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

- (2) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.
- (3) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.
- (4) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.

- (5) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Fund Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(d)(A)(5)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(d)(A)(5)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund

becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(d)(A)(5)(a) through 4(d)(A)(5)(f) above.

- (6) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (7) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (8) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
- (9) In respect of any Fund Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Fund Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Fund Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (10) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Fund Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal

exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Fund Reference Assets held by them.

- (11) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
- (12) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.

(B) NAV/Price and Reporting:

- (1) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Fund Reference Assets on the Exchange.
- (2) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.
- (3) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefore set out in such documents.

- (4) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.
- (5) (i) In respect of any Fund Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Fund Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Fund Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation

methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Fund Reference Assets).

(C) Fund Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Fund Reference Assets occurs:

- (1) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Fund Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Fund Reference Assets;
- (2) a portion of each Fund Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of “side-pocket” which affects the Fund Reference Assets;
- (3) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Fund Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Fund Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Fund Reference Assets;
- (4) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Fund Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Fund Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund; or

(D) Trading and Fees:

- (1) In respect of the Fund Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Fund Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Fund Reference Assets as of such date).

- (2) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Fund Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.
- (3) The frequency at which Fund Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Fund Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
- (4) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Fund Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:

- (I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or

- (II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Fund Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.

(E) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:

- (1) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.
- (2) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.

- (3) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.
 - (4) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Fund Reference Assets.
 - (F) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in subparagraphs (A) to (E) above.
- (e) Consequences of a Fund Event.

In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a “**Permitted Action**”):

- (A) (1) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (2) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
- (B) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (1) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (2) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (3) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to

any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or

- (C) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (D) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Fund Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Fund Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (1) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (2) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (1) or (2) of this clause 4(b)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (3) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (1), (2) or (3), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(e), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

- (f) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:
- (A) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Fund Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Fund Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.
 - (B) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
 - (C) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether

actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.

(g) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO QUANTO SPREAD OPEN END CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Absolute Notional Position**” means as of the Launch Date, the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount expressed in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent on each Trading Day equal to:

$$ANP(t) = 100 \times \left(\frac{S_1(t)}{S_1(0)} + \frac{S_2(t)}{S_2(0)} \right)$$

Where:

ANP(t) = Absolute Notional Position on Trading Day t;

S₁(0) = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Initial Reference Asset Price;

S₁(t) = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price;

S₂(0) = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Initial Reference Asset Price;

S₂(t) = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price;

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Additional Market Disruption Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting

through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Applicable Dividends**” means, where Dividends is specified as being Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) in respect of the Long Reference Asset, an amount equal to all cash dividends and/or other cash distributions declared in respect of the Share(s) or Fund which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the current Dividend Period net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty and without reference to tax credits, and less Expenses, and (ii) in respect of the Short Reference Asset, an amount equal to all cash dividends and/or other cash distributions declared in respect of the Share(s) or Fund which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the current Dividend Period without regard to any withholding tax or other deductions multiplied by the prevailing percentage payable under standard stock borrow agreements, as observed by The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., and less Expenses;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

(a) Upon Exercise:

$(\text{Final Reference Price} + \text{Daily Cash Amount}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or

(b) Following an Issuer Automatic Call Event:

$(\text{Stop Loss Termination Reference Price} + \text{Daily Cash Amount}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Automatic Call Cash Amount**”); or

(c) Upon an Issuer Call:

$(\text{Termination Reference Price} + \text{Daily Cash Amount}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or

(d) Following a Stop Loss Event:

$(\text{Stop Loss Termination Reference Price} + \text{Daily Cash Amount}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate Fee**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount in the Settlement Currency that will be calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis from the Launch Date in accordance with the following formula:

$$CF(t) = F \times DCF(t-1,t) \times ANP(t-1)$$

Where:

CF(t) = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t;

F = Certificate Fee Level;

DCF(t-1,t) = Day Count Fraction between the immediately preceding Trading Day (t-1) and Trading Day t;

ANP(t-1) = Absolute Notional Position at the Valuation Time on the immediately preceding Trading Day (t-1);

“**Certificate Fee Level**” means the percentage fee per annum, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Certificate Value**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$CV(t) = [RASL(t) + CA(t)] \times CE$$

Where:

CV(t) = Certificate Value on Trading Day t;

RASL(t) = Reference Asset Spread Level on Trading Day t;

CA (t) = Daily Cash Amount on Trading Day t; and

CE = Entitlement;

provided that the Certificate Value shall not be less than zero;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearing system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Commodity**” means each Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Daily Cash Amount**” means as of the Launch Date, the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$CA(t) = CA(t-1) \times (1 + DCF(t-1, t) \times Rate_{t-1}) - QMF(t) - MF(t) + D(t)$$

Where:

CA(t) = Daily Cash Amount on Trading Day t;

CA(t-1) = Daily Cash Amount on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;

DCF(t-1, t) = Day Count Fraction between Trading Day (t-1) and Trading Day t;

Rate_{t-1} = Rate on immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;

QMF(t) = Quanto Maintenance Fee of Trading Day t;

CF(t) = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t; and

D(t) = (i) If Dividends are specified as being Applicable, the Dividend Amount on Trading Day t, and otherwise (ii) zero;

“**Day Count Fraction**” means the day count fraction specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Dividend Amount**” means, where Dividends are specified as being Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the sum of the product for each Reference Asset of (a) the Applicable Dividends converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate, and (b) the Weighting for such Reference Asset. This amount may be negative;

“**Dividend Period**” means a period from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Dividends**” are either Applicable or Not Applicable, as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means (i) in respect of an Index, the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares or other securities that comprise the Index (the “**Index Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system, and otherwise (ii) in respect of a Commodity, Fund which is an exchange traded fund or a Share, the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system. “Exchanges” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Reference Asset Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the fixed rate of exchange of 1 unit of the Reference Asset Currency to 1 unit of the Settlement Currency;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to a Stop Loss Event or Issuer Automatic Call Event, the third Business Day preceding a Valuation Date;

“Exercise Time” means 10.00 am (C.E.T.);

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Spread Level at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“Fund” means each Reference Asset specified as such (including exchange traded funds) in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Administrator” means, in respect of any Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“Fund Adviser” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“Fund Documents” means, with respect to any Fund or Fund Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Fund Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Fund Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4(d) and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Prospectus” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of a Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Reference Asset” means the relevant interests in each Fund or if the Fund is an exchange traded fund the relevant interests specified as “Fund Reference Assets” in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Service Provider” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Hedging Agreement” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“Inclusion Date” means (i) in respect of any Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“Index” means each Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Initial Reference Asset Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Automatic Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Automatic Call Date” means a day on which an Issuer Automatic Call Event occurs;

“Issuer Automatic Call Event” occurs if on any Trading Day from and including the Launch Date either (i) the Certificate Value at the Valuation Time (unless a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event is occurring at such time) is less than the Minimum Certificate Value, or (ii) the Leverage at the Valuation Time (unless a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event is occurring at such time) is greater than the Maximum Leverage;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (A) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (B) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset Spread Level and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) A Fund Event has occurred and is continuing on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Issuer Call Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“**Issuer Call Notice Period**” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Leverage**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in respect of any Trading Day in accordance with the following formula:

$$L(t) = \frac{ANP(t)}{CV(t)}$$

Where:

L(t) = Leverage on Trading Day t;

ANP(t) = Absolute Notional Position on Trading Day t;

CV(t) = Certificate Value on Trading Day t;

“**Long Reference Asset**” means the Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maximum Leverage**” means the leverage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Merger Event**” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity

and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**Minimum Certificate Value**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, the circumstances so require;

“**Quanto Maintenance Fee**” means a fee in the Settlement Currency covering the Issuer’s expenses of arranging the Exchange Rate for the Holders and will be calculated on a daily basis from the Launch Date in accordance with the following formula:

$$\begin{aligned}
 QMF(t) = & 100 \times \left(\frac{S_1(t-1)}{S_1(0)} \right) \times QMFL_1(t-1) \times DCF(t-1,t) \\
 & - 100 \times \left(\frac{S_2(t-1)}{S_2(0)} \right) \times QMFL_2(t-1) \times DCF(t-1,t)
 \end{aligned}$$

where:

QMF(t) = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t;

S₁(0) = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Initial Reference Asset Price;

S₁(t-1) = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;

- $QMFL_1(t-1)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;
- $S_2(0)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Initial Reference Asset Price; and
- $S_2(t-1)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;
- $QMFL_2(t-1)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1; and
- $DCF(t-1,t)$ = Day Count Fraction between the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1 and Trading Day t.

If the Issuer realises a profit when arranging the Exchange Rate, the Quanto Maintenance Fee can be negative;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee Level” means, in respect of each Reference Asset, the Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level on the Launch Date and thereafter the relevant Quanto Maintenance Fee Level per annum as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the prevailing market conditions, the correlation between the Reference Asset and the prevailing rate of exchange between the Reference Asset Currency and the Settlement Currency, interest rates of such currencies and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining the expenses for arranging the Exchange Rate. The Quanto Maintenance Fee Level may be reset on a daily basis and may be negative;

“Rate” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the prevailing rate for deposits in the Settlement Currency with a designated maturity of either 1 month or overnight (designated maturity selected by the Calculation Agent at its sole discretion), as determined by the Calculation Agent for each Day Count Fraction;

“Reference Asset” means each of the Long Reference Asset and Short Reference Asset as specified in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms (and together the **“Reference Assets”**), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Reference Asset Company” means, in respect of each Share, the company specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Reference Asset Currency**” means, in respect of each Reference Asset, the currency specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reference Asset Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) in respect of an Index, the current level of such Index or if the Valuation Time has already passed, the closing level of such Index, (ii) in respect of a Share, a Fund which is an exchange traded fund or Commodity, the current price of such Share, Fund Reference Asset or Commodity, as the case may be, quoted on the Exchange, or if the Exchange has closed, the closing price of such Share, Fund Reference Asset or Commodity, (iii) in respect of a Fund, the NAV of the Fund as quoted by the fund manager or, in relation to all of (i), (ii) and (iii), (if in the determination of the Calculation Agent no such price, level or NAV can be determined and no Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) a price, level or NAV determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the price, level or NAV of the Reference Asset at such time having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price or NAV as applicable of (i) in respect of an Index, the Index Shares, (ii) in respect of a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, the Fund Reference Asset on the Exchange and otherwise (iii) the Reference Asset on the Exchange, if applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (A) a Market Disruption Event occurs on any day which is not the Issuer Call Date nor the Valuation Date, in which case the Reference Asset Price shall be deemed to be the Reference Asset Price on the previous Trading Day, save that if a Market Disruption Event occurs on the Relevant Number of Trading Days preceding such date, then on the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days preceding such date the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Reference Asset Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of (i) in respect of an Index, the Index Shares and otherwise (ii) the Reference Asset on the Exchange, if applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant and such day shall be deemed to be a day on which a Market Disruption Event does not occur for the purposes of this definition); or
- (B) a Fund Event occurs on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Reference Asset price shall be adjusted accordingly;

“**Reference Asset Spread Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, which may be a negative amount, expressed in the Settlement Currency and determined by the Spread Index Agent on any Trading Day equal to:

$$\text{RASL}(t) = 100 \times \left(\frac{S_1(t)}{S_1(0)} - \frac{S_2(t)}{S_2(0)} \right)$$

Where:

RASL(t) = Reference Asset Spread Level on Trading Day t;

$S_1(0)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Initial Reference Asset Price;

$S_1(t)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price;

$S_2(0)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Initial Reference Asset Price;

$S_2(t)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price;

“**Related Exchange**” means in respect of the Reference Assets, an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded and “Related Exchanges” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined

by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Party**” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“**Replacement Fund**” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(d)(ii)(B). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means the quanto spread open end certificates relating to the Reference Assets and each a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the fifth Business Day following (i) the Valuation Date, (ii) the last day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period, or (iii) the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Share**” means each Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Short Reference Asset**” means the Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Spread**” means the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Spread Index Agent**” means the agent specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and references to Spread Index Agent shall include any successor spread index agent;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore,

Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if the Reference Asset Spread Level is at the Valuation Time on any Trading Day from and including the Launch Date, other than a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event, less than the Stop Loss Price;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount in the Settlement Currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Reference Asset Spread Level as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the unwinding of the hedging position on a best effort basis during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be equal to at least the lowest Reference Asset Spread Level during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period**” means (a) following an Issuer Automatic Call Event, the Issuer Automatic Call Date or if the Automatic Call Event occurs at the Valuation Time, the following Trading Day, or (b) following a Stop Loss Event, the Stop Loss Termination Date or if the Stop Loss Event occurs at the Valuation Time, the following Trading Day;

“**Substitution Date**” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Spread Level at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means (i) in respect of an Index, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the index according to its rules, or (ii) in respect of a Share, Fund that is an exchange traded fund or Commodity, any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event, as applicable would have been) a

trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time, or (iii) in respect of a Fund, any day on which dealing in the Fund can take place;

“Valuation Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one year after the Issue Date (or, following a valid Exercise, if later, three Trading Days following the Exercise Date) unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset Spread Level and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on that day in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly.

“Valuation Time” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series, (i) in respect of an Index, the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates and publishes the closing level of the Index, or (ii) in respect of a Share or Commodity, the close of trading on the Exchange, or (iii) in respect of a Fund (other than those Funds which are exchange traded funds), the time with reference to which the fund manager publishes the net asset value, or (iv) with respect to Funds which are exchange traded funds the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant series in the applicable Final Terms, or in relation to (i) (ii), (iii) or (iv) such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“Weighting” means, in respect of each Reference Asset, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the weighting of the Reference

Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if weighting is not specified as such:

- (a) in respect of the Long Reference Asset:

100 units of the Settlement Currency
Initial Reference Asset Price converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange
Rate;

and

- (b) in respect of the Short Reference Asset:

-100 units of the Settlement Currency
Initial Reference Asset Price converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange
Rate,

subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “Holder” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will

pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event or Issuer Automatic Call Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically in whole but not in part and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call, Issuer Automatic Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise, an Issuer Automatic Call or a Stop Loss Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Issuer Automatic Call. Following an Issuer Automatic Call Event, the Securities will terminate automatically in whole but not in part. An Issuer Automatic Call Event will override an Issuer Call, and/or due Exercise if the Issuer Automatic Call Event occurs prior to an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (e) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Issuer Automatic Call Cash Amount, following Issuer Automatic Call; or
 - (iv) The Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (f) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

- (g) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (h) The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Reference Assets.

Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “U.S. person” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;

- (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (i) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (j) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (k) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (l) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (m) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (n) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (o) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In respect of a Share, “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise): (A) the Reference Assets on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Reference Assets are listed; or (B) any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Reference Assets on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

In respect of an Index, “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
- (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index (as determined by the Calculation Agent) if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to

the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or

- (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

In respect of a Commodity, “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price of the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (ii) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (iii) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity, on the Exchange; or
- (iv) Material Change in nature of or pricing method. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (v) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Commodity; or
- (vi) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or

- (vii) **Tax Disruption.** The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
 - (viii) **Trading Limitation.** The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
 - (ix) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
 - (x) **Other Events.** Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.
- (b) **Adjustment Events.**

In respect of a Share:

Following a declaration by a Reference Asset Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:

- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
- (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“**Potential Adjustment Event**” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or, a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Reference Asset Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Reference Asset Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Reference Asset Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

“**Merger Event**”, in this Product Condition 4(b) only, means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Reference Asset Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Reference Asset Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares of a Reference Asset Company); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer, a majority of the voting power of the Reference Asset Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date or Stop Loss Termination Date.

In respect of an Index:

- (iii) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the

same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (iv) If (A) on any day the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on any day the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Reference Asset Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on such day, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Index Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (v) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Index Shares of: (aa) Index Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Index Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Index Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or

dividend of any Index Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Index Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Index Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Index Shares; or (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Index Shares.

- (vi) The Issuer reserves the right to make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency in respect of a Share.

If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Reference Asset Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:

- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation

or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or

- (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to fully account for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an

adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“**De-listing**” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation.

“**Merger Event**”, in this Product Condition 4(c) only, means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Reference Asset Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Reference Asset Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Reference Asset Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date or Stop Loss Termination Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Reference Asset Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Reference Asset Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Reference Asset Company, (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Reference Asset Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

(d) Fund Events.

Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Fund Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Fund Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

(A) Global Events:

- (1) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund’s portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

- (2) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.
- (3) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.
- (4) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.

- (5) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Fund Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(d)(A)(5)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(d)(A)(5)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund

becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(d)(A)(5)(a) through 4(d)(A)(5)(f) above.

- (6) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (7) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (8) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
- (9) In respect of any Fund Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Fund Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Fund Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (10) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Fund Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal

exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Fund Reference Assets held by them.

- (11) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
- (12) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.

(B) NAV/Price and Reporting:

- (1) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Fund Reference Assets on the Exchange.
- (2) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.
- (3) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefore set out in such documents.

- (4) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.
- (5) (i) In respect of any Fund Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Fund Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Fund Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation

methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Fund Reference Assets).

(C) Fund Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Fund Reference Assets occurs:

- (1) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Fund Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Fund Reference Assets;
- (2) a portion of each Fund Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of “side-pocket” which affects the Fund Reference Assets;
- (3) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Fund Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Fund Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Fund Reference Assets;
- (4) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Fund Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Fund Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund; or

(D) Trading and Fees:

- (1) In respect of the Fund Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Fund Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Fund Reference Assets as of such date).

- (2) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Fund Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.
 - (3) The frequency at which Fund Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Fund Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
 - (4) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Fund Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:
 - (I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or
 - (II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Fund Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.
- (E) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:
- (1) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.
 - (2) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory

agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.

(3) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.

(4) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Fund Reference Assets.

(F) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in subparagraphs (A) to (E) above.

(e) Consequences of a Fund Event.

In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a **“Permitted Action”**):

- (A) (1) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (2) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
- (B) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (1) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (2) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall

be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (3) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or

- (C) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (D) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Fund Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Fund Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (1) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (2) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (1) or (2) of this clause 4(e)(D) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (3) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (1), (2) or (3), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it

determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(e), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

(f) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:

- (A) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Fund Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Fund Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.
- (B) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
- (C) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event

and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.

(g) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO QUANTO SPREAD OPEN END CERTIFICATES II

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Absolute Notional Position**” means as of the Pricing Date, the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, with respect to each Calculation Period, an amount expressed in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent on each Trading Day, commencing from the first Trading Day in such Calculation Period, in accordance with the following formula:

$$ANP(t) = CV(r-1) \times \left(\frac{S_1(t)}{S_1(r-1)} + \frac{S_2(t)}{S_2(r-1)} \right)$$

Where:

ANP(t) = Absolute Notional Position on Trading Day t;

$S_1(r-1)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on the immediately preceding Rebalancing Day - 1;

$S_1(t)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on Trading Day t or, if there has been a Market Disruption Event on such day, the price, level or NAV as applicable, determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date;

$S_2(r-1)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on the immediately preceding Rebalancing Day - 1;

$S_2(t)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on Trading Day t or, if there has been a Market Disruption Event on such day,

the price, level or NAV as applicable, determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date; and

CV(r-1) = Rebalancing Certificate Value;

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Additional Market Disruption Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Applicable Dividends**” means, where Dividends is specified as being Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) in respect of the Long Reference Asset, an amount equal to all cash dividends and/or other cash distributions declared in respect of the Share(s) or Fund which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the current Dividend Period net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty and without reference to tax credits, and less Expenses, and (ii) in respect of the Short Reference Asset, an amount equal to all cash dividends and/or other cash distributions declared in respect of the Share(s) or Fund which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the current Dividend Period without regard to any withholding tax or other deductions multiplied by the prevailing percentage payable under standard stock borrow agreements, as observed by The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., and less Expenses;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the period commencing on (but excluding) the Pricing Date to (but excluding) the first Rebalancing Day, and each period commencing on (and including) a Rebalancing Day to (but excluding) the next following Rebalancing Day, the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date, as the case may be;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) Upon Exercise:
(Final Reference Price + Daily Cash Amount) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or
- (b) Following an Issuer Automatic Call Event:
(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price + Daily Cash Amount) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Automatic Call Cash Amount**”); or
- (c) Upon an Issuer Call:
(Termination Reference Price + Daily Cash Amount) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or
- (d) Following a Stop Loss Event:
(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price + Daily Cash Amount) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate Fee**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, with respect to each Calculation Period, an amount in the Settlement Currency that will be calculated by the Calculation Agent on each Trading Day from the first Trading Day in such Calculation Period in accordance with the following formula:

$$CF(t) = F \times DCF(t-1,t) \times ANP(t-1)$$

Where:

CF(t) = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t;

F = Certificate Fee Level;

DCF(t-1,t) = Day Count Fraction between the immediately preceding Trading Day (t-1) and Trading Day t; and

ANP(t-1) = Absolute Notional Position at the Valuation Time on the immediately preceding Trading Day (t-1);

“**Certificate Fee Level**” means the percentage fee per annum, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Certificate Value**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$CV(t) = [RASL(t) + CA(t)] \times CE$$

Where:

CV(t) = Certificate Value on Trading Day t;

RASL(t) = Reference Asset Spread Level on Trading Day t;

CA (t) = Daily Cash Amount on Trading Day t; and

CE = Entitlement;

provided that the Certificate Value shall not be less than zero;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearing system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Commodity**” means each Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Daily Cash Amount**” means as of the Pricing Date, the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, with respect to each Calculation Period, an amount in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent on each Trading Day commencing from the first Trading Day in such Calculation Period in accordance with the following formula:

$$CA(t) = CA(t-1) \times (1 + DCF(t-1, t) \times Rate_{t-1}) + RASL(t-1) \times DCF(t-1, t) \times Rate_{t-1} - QMF(t) - MF(t) + D(t)$$

Where:

CA(t) = Daily Cash Amount on Trading Day t;

- CA(t-1) = on the first Trading Day in the relevant Calculation Period the Rebalancing Certificate Value and thereafter the Daily Cash Amount on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;
- RASL(t-1) = Reference Asset Spread Level at the Valuation Time on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;
- DCF(t-1,t) = Day Count Fraction between Trading Day (t-1) and Trading Day t;
- Rate_{t-1}= Rate on immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;
- QMF(t) = Quanto Maintenance Fee of Trading Day t;
- CF(t) = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t; and D(t) = (i) If Dividends are specified as being Applicable, the Dividend Amount on Trading Day t, and otherwise (ii) zero;

The Daily Cash Amount payable in respect of Exercise, Issuer Automatic Call, Issuer Call or a Stop Loss Event shall be calculated on the Valuation Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date, Issuer Call Date or Stop Loss Termination Date, respectively.

“**Day Count Fraction**” means the day count fraction specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Dividend Amount**” means, where Dividends are specified as being Applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the sum of the product for each Reference Asset of (a) the Applicable Dividends converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate, and (b) the Weighting for such Reference Asset. This amount may be negative;

“**Dividend Period**” means a period from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Dividends**” are either Applicable or Not Applicable, as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or

- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means (i) in respect of an Index, the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares or other securities that comprise the Index (the “**Index Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system, and otherwise (ii) in respect of a Commodity, Fund which is an exchange traded fund or a Share, the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system. “Exchanges” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Reference Asset Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the fixed rate of exchange of 1 unit of the Reference Asset Currency to 1 unit of the Settlement Currency;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to a Stop Loss Event or Issuer Automatic Call Event, the third Business Day preceding a scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means 10.00 am (C.E.T.);

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Spread Level at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“Fund” means each Reference Asset specified as such (including exchange traded funds) in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Administrator” means, in respect of any Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“Fund Adviser” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“Fund Documents” means, with respect to any Fund or Fund Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Fund Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Fund Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4(d) and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Prospectus” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of a Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Reference Asset” means the relevant interests in each Fund or if the Fund is an exchange traded fund the relevant interests specified as “Fund Reference Assets” in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Service Provider” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund

Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Hedging Agreement**” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“**Inclusion Date**” means (i) in respect of any Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“**Index**” means each Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Initial Reference Asset Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Automatic Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Automatic Call Date” means the Trading Day on which the Issuer Automatic Call Event occurs;

“Issuer Automatic Call Event” occurs if on any Trading Day from and including the Launch Date either (i) the Certificate Value at the Valuation Time (unless a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event is occurring at such time) is less than the Minimum Certificate Value, or (ii) the Leverage at the Valuation Time (unless a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event is occurring at such time) is greater than the Maximum Leverage;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (A) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset Spread Level and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Issuer Call Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Leverage**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in respect of any Trading Day in accordance with the following formula:

$$L(t) = \frac{ANP(t)}{CV(t)}$$

Where:

L(t) = Leverage on Trading Day t;

ANP(t) = Absolute Notional Position on Trading Day t; and

CV(t) = Certificate Value on Trading Day t;

“**Long Reference Asset**” means the Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maximum Leverage**” means the leverage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Merger Event**” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event

collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**Minimum Certificate Value**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf if, in adverse market conditions, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, the circumstances so require;

“**Quanto Maintenance Fee**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, with respect to each Calculation Period, a fee in the Settlement Currency covering the Issuer’s expenses of arranging the Exchange Rate for the Holders and will be calculated on each Trading Day from the first Trading Day in such Calculation Period in accordance with the following formula:

$$QMF(t) = CV(r-1) \times \left(\frac{S_1(t-1)}{S_1(r-1)} \times QMFL_1(t-1) - \frac{S_2(t-1)}{S_2(r-1)} \times QMFL_2(t-1) \right) \times DCF(t-1, t)$$

Where:

QMF(t) = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t;

S₁(r-1) = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on the immediately preceding Rebalancing Day - 1;

S₁(t-1) = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1 or, if there has been a Market Disruption Event on such day, the price, level or NAV as applicable, determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date;

- $QMFL_1(t-1)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;
- $S_2(r-1)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on the immediately preceding Rebalancing Day - 1;
- $S_2(t-1)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1 or, if there has been a Market Disruption Event on such day, the price, level or NAV as applicable, determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date;
- $QMFL_2(t-1)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level on the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1;
- $DCF(t-1,t)$ = Day Count Fraction between the immediately preceding Trading Day t-1 and Trading Day t; and
- $CV(r-1)$ = Rebalancing Certificate Value.

If the Issuer realises a profit when arranging the Exchange Rate, the Quanto Maintenance Fee can be negative;

“Quanto Maintenance Fee Level” means, in respect of each Reference Asset, the Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level on the Pricing Date and thereafter the relevant Quanto Maintenance Fee Level per annum as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the prevailing market conditions, the correlation between the Reference Asset and the prevailing rate of exchange between the Reference Asset Currency and the Settlement Currency, interest rates of such currencies and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining the expenses for arranging the Exchange Rate. The Quanto Maintenance Fee Level may be reset on a daily basis and may be negative;

“Rate” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the prevailing rate for deposits in the Settlement Currency with a designated maturity of either 1 month or overnight (designated maturity selected by the Calculation Agent at its sole discretion), as determined by the Calculation Agent for each Day Count Fraction;

“Rebalancing Day” means the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or if such day is not a Trading Day the next succeeding Trading Day;

“Rebalancing Day - 1” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the first Rebalancing Day -1 shall be the Pricing Date

and thereafter the Trading Day immediately preceding the relevant Rebalancing Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Rebalancing Day -1 shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Rebalancing Day -1. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Rebalancing Day -1 (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Reference Asset Price or any other relevant price or value having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf deems relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on that day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Rebalancing Day -1 shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Rebalancing Certificate Value” means the Certificate Value at the Valuation Time on the immediately preceding Rebalancing Day -1;

“Rebalancing Reference Price” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Spread Level at the Valuation Time on Rebalancing Day - 1 as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“Reference Asset” means each of the Long Reference Asset and Short Reference Asset as specified in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms (and together the **“Reference Assets”**), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Reference Asset Company” means, in respect of each Share, the company specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Reference Asset Currency” means, in respect of each Reference Asset, the currency specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reference Asset Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) in respect of an Index, the current level of such Index, (ii) in respect of a Share, a Fund which is an exchange traded fund or Commodity, the current price of such Share, Fund Reference Asset or Commodity, as the case may be, quoted on the Exchange, (iii) in respect of a Fund, the NAV of the Fund as quoted by the fund manager and in relation to all of (i), (ii) and (iii) as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if in the determination of the Calculation Agent no such price, level or NAV can be determined and no Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) a price, level or NAV determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the current price, level or NAV of the Reference Asset having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price or NAV as applicable of (i) in respect of an Index, the Index Shares, (ii) in respect of a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, the Fund Reference Asset on the Exchange and otherwise (iii) the Reference Asset on the Exchange, if applicable, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Reference Asset Spread Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, which may be a negative amount, expressed in the Settlement Currency and determined by the Spread Index Agent on any Trading Day equal to:

$$\text{RASL}(t) = \text{CV}(r-1) \times \left(\frac{S_1(t)}{S_1(r-1)} - \frac{S_2(t)}{S_2(r-1)} \right)$$

Where:

RASL(t) = Reference Asset Spread Level on Trading Day t;

$S_1(r-1)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on the immediately preceding Rebalancing Day -1;

$S_1(t)$ = with respect to the Long Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on Trading Day t or, if there has been a Market Disruption Event on such day, the price, level or NAV as applicable, determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date;

$S_2(r-1)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price, on the immediately preceding Rebalancing Day -1;

$S_2(t)$ = with respect to the Short Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Price on Trading Day t or, if there has been a Market Disruption Event on

such day, the price, level or NAV as applicable, determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date; and

CV(r-1) = Rebalancing Certificate Value;

“**Related Exchange**” means in respect of the Reference Assets, an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded and “**Related Exchanges**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Party**” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“**Replacement Fund**” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(e)(B). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means the quanto spread open end certificates II relating to the Reference Assets and each a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the fifth Business Day following (i) the Valuation Date, (ii) the last day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period, or (iii) the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Share**” means each Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Short Reference Asset**” means the Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Spread**” means the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Spread Index Agent**” means the agent specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and references to Spread Index Agent shall include any successor spread index agent;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if the Reference Asset Spread Level is at the Valuation Time on any Trading Day from and including the Launch Date, other than a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event, less than the Stop Loss Price;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means the amount specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“Stop Loss Termination Reference Price” means, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount in the Settlement Currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Reference Asset Spread Level as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the unwinding of the hedging position on a best effort basis during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be equal to at least the lowest Reference Asset Spread Level during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period” means (a) following an Issuer Automatic Call Event, the Issuer Automatic Call Date or if the Automatic Call Event occurs at the Valuation Time, the following Trading Day, or (b) following a Stop Loss Event, the Stop Loss Termination Date or if the Stop Loss Event occurs at the Valuation Time, the following Trading Day;

“Substitution Date” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“Termination Reference Price” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Spread Level at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“Trading Day” means (i) in respect of an Index, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the index according to its rules, or (ii) in respect of a Share, Fund that is an exchange traded fund or Commodity, any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event or a Fund Event, as applicable, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time, or (iii) in respect of a Fund, any day on which dealing in the Fund can take place;

“Valuation Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one year after the Issue Date unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event)

would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset Spread Level and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on that day in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly

“Valuation Time” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series, (i) in respect of an Index, the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates and publishes the closing level of the Index, or (ii) in respect of a Share or Commodity, the close of trading on the Exchange, or (iii) in respect of a Fund (other than those Funds which are exchange traded funds), the time with reference to which the fund manager publishes the net asset value, or (iv) with respect to Funds which are exchange traded funds the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant series in the applicable Final Terms, or in relation to (i) (ii), (iii) or (iv) such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“Weighting” means, in respect of each Reference Asset and each Calculation Period, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the weighting of the Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of Spread in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if weighting is not specified as such an amount determined by the Calculation Agent at the Valuation Time on the relevant Rebalancing Day in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) in respect of the Long Reference Asset:

$((\text{Rebalancing Reference Price} + \text{Daily Cash Amount}) \times \text{Entitlement}) / (\text{Rebalancing Reference Price converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate});$

and

- (b) in respect of the Short Reference Asset:

$((\text{Rebalancing Reference Price} + \text{Daily Cash Amount}) \times \text{Entitlement}) / (\text{Rebalancing Reference Price converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate}),$

subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “Holder” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event or Issuer Automatic Call Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically in whole but not in part and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call, Issuer Automatic Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise, an Issuer Automatic Call or a Stop Loss Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the

Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (d) Issuer Automatic Call. Following an Issuer Automatic Call Event, the Securities will terminate automatically in whole but not in part and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. An Issuer Automatic Call Event will override an Issuer Call, and/or due Exercise if the Issuer Automatic Call Event occurs prior to an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (e) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event or Issuer Automatic Call Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Issuer Automatic Call Cash Amount, following Issuer Automatic Call; or
 - (iv) The Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (f) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (g) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (h) The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Reference Assets.

Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;

- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (i) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (j) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (k) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (l) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (m) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (n) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (o) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In respect of a Share, “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption of impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise): (A) the Reference Assets on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Reference Assets are listed; or (B) any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Reference Assets on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

In respect of an Index, “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
- (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index (as determined by the Calculation Agent) if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
 - (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

In respect of a Commodity, “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price of the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (ii) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (iii) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity, on the Exchange; or
- (iv) Material Change in nature of or pricing method. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (v) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Commodity; or
- (vi) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (vii) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date and/or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event or Issuer Automatic Call Event from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (viii) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or

- (ix) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
 - (x) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.
- (b) Adjustment Events.

In respect of a Share:

Following a declaration by a Reference Asset Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:

- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
- (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or, a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Reference Asset Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the

Reference Asset Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Reference Asset Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

“**Merger Event**”, in this Product Condition 4(b) only, means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares of a Reference Asset Company that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of outstanding Shares of such Reference Asset Company; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation or merger or binding share exchange of a Reference Asset Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation or merger or binding share exchange in which such Reference Asset Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares of a Reference Asset Company); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent of the outstanding of a Reference Asset Company that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Shares of a Reference Asset Company to the offeror (other than any such Shares owned or controlled by the offeror), in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date or Stop Loss Termination Date.

In respect of an Index:

- (i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
- (ii) If (A) on any day the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or

(B) on any day the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Reference Asset Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on such day, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Index Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Index Shares of: (aa) Index Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Index Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Index Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Index Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Index Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and

paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Index Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Index Shares; or (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Index Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.
- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency in respect of a Share. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Reference Asset Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:
 - (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
 - (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount

shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to fully account for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**”, in this Product Condition 4(c) only, means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares of a Reference Asset Company that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of outstanding Shares of such Reference Asset Company; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation or merger or binding share exchange of a Reference Asset Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation or merger or binding share exchange in which such Reference Asset Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares of a Reference Asset Company); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent of the outstanding of a Reference Asset Company that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Shares of a Reference Asset Company to the offeror (other than any such Shares owned or controlled by the offeror), in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date, Issuer Automatic Call Date or Stop Loss Termination Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Reference Asset Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Reference Asset Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Reference Asset Company, (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Reference Asset Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

(d) Fund Events.

Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf

must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Fund Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Fund Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

(A) Global Events:

- (1) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund's portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.
- (2) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the

Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.

- (3) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.
- (4) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.
- (5) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Fund Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar

official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(d)(A)(5)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(d)(A)(5)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(d)(A)(5)(a) through 4(d)(A)(5)(f) above.

- (6) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (7) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (8) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
- (9) In respect of any Fund Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Fund Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Fund Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (10) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Fund Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Fund Reference Assets held by them.
- (11) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-

funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).

(12) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.

(B) NAV/Price and Reporting:

(1) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Fund Reference Assets on the Exchange.

(2) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.

(3) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefore set out in such documents.

(4) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of

any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.

- (5) (i) In respect of any Fund Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Fund Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Fund Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Fund Reference Assets).

(C) Fund Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Fund Reference Assets occurs:

- (1) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Fund Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Fund Reference Assets;
- (2) a portion of each Fund Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of “side-pocket” which affects the Fund Reference Assets;
- (3) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Fund Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Fund Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Fund Reference Assets;
- (4) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Fund Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Fund Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund; or

(D) Trading and Fees:

- (1) In respect of the Fund Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Fund Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Fund Reference Assets as of such date).
- (2) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Fund Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.

(3) The frequency at which Fund Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Fund Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.

(4) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Fund Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:

(I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or

(II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Fund Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.

(E) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:

(1) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.

(2) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.

(3) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf

considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.

(4) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Fund Reference Assets.

(F) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in subparagraphs (A) to (E) above.

(e) Consequences of a Fund Event.

In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a **“Permitted Action”**):

(A) (1) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (2) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or

(B) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (1) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (2) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (3) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or

(C) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

- (D) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Fund Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Fund Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (1) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (2) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (1) or (2) of this clause 4(e)(D) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (3) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (1), (2) or (3), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(e), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

- (f) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:
- (A) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Fund Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Fund Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.
 - (B) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
 - (C) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty

towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.

(g) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY FUTURES AND COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS OPEN END
CERTIFICATES II

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

$$\text{Final Reference Price} \times \text{Rollover Ratio} \times \text{Entitlement}$$

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (NECIGEF), Euroclear Bank S.A. and Clearstream Banking S.A. and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“Entitlement” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Time” means 10.00 am Central European Time;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) equal to the closing Reference Asset Price at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as it may specify from time to time;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the first Business Day following the period from and including the Issue Date;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the five Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the fifth Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) System is open;

“Reference Asset” means the Reference Asset as of the Issue Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, and thereafter the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours on the Rollover Date, effect substitution of a financially equivalent reference asset with a 3 month or 1 month expiry (the **“Substitute Asset”**) selected by the Issuer. Thereafter the Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“Reference Asset Price” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the applicable Bloomberg page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series, and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“Rollover Date” means a date, being a Trading Day, as selected by the Issuer within the last ten Trading Days prior to the last Trading Day of the Reference Asset;

“Rollover Period” means each period from and including a Rollover Date to but excluding the next following Rollover Date;

“Rollover Ratio” means, for each Rollover Period, a ratio as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$[(A - B) / (C + D)] \times E$$

where A is: Reference Asset Price;

where B is: Transaction Charge x Reference Asset Price;

where C is: Substitute Asset Price;

where D is: Transaction Charge x Substitute Asset Price;

where E is: The immediately preceding Rollover Ratio;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“**Securities**” means the open end certificates relating to the Reference Asset and each a “Security”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities specified as such in the definition of the relevant Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series;

“**Settlement Date**” means the fifth Business Day following the relevant Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Substitute Asset Price**” means the Reference Asset Price of the reference asset future which will be the Substitute Asset at the next following Rollover Date;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Transaction Charge**” means a percentage rate as determined by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may adjust the Transaction Charge on each Rollover Date, but in any event the Transaction Charge will not exceed 0.10%. The Transaction Charge on the Issue Date is 0.05%;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series;

“**Valuation Date**” means the last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing from (and including) March 2007, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the five Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the fifth Trading Day shall be deemed to be the

Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the closing time of the relevant Exchange, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

The Securities are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) **Exercise.** The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) **Issuer Call.** The Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least one calendar years notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and

to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount.

- (d) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (f) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (1) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (2) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (3) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (4) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (5) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and

which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;

- (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (6) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
 - (h) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
 - (i) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is (where applicable) not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) **Price Source Disruption.** The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price for the Reference Asset (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (b) **Trading Suspension.** The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) **Disappearance of Price.** The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or

- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of calculating the price of the Reference Asset; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content, composition of the Reference Asset; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or, a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Reference Asset on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect thereto on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations.

5. GOVERNING LAW

The Conditions pertaining to the Securities shall be governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English law.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY FUTURES AND COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS OPEN END
QUANTO CERTIFICATES II

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

(a) on the Launch Date, 0; and

(b) thereafter:

$$CA_{t-1} * (1 + DCF_{t-1,t} * Rate_{t-1}) + QMF_t + MF_t$$

where

CA_t = Cash Amount on previous Trading Day t

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and t Trading Days

$Rate_{t-1}$ = Rate on previous Trading Day

$FQMF_t$ = Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t

CF_t = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t

The Cash Amount can be negative.

“**Certificate Fee**” means an amount that will accrue on a daily basis in accordance with the following formula:

$$Fee * RR_{t-1} * CLU_{t-1} * DCF_{t-1,t}$$

Fee = 1%

RR_{t-1} = Rollover Ratio on previous Trading Day

CLU_{t-1} = The Price of the Reference Asset on the previous Trading Day

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = Day Count Fraction between t and (t-1) Trading Day

“**Certificate Value**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$[CLU_t * RR_t - CA_t] * CE$$

where

CLU_t = The Price of the Reference Asset on Trading Day t

CA_t = Cash Amount on Trading Day t

RR_t = Rollover Ratio on Trading Day t

CE = Certificate Entitlement

“**Clearing Agent**” means Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (NECIGEF), Euroclear Bank S.A., and Clearstream Banking S.A. and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Day Count Fraction**” means the number of calendar days between (and excluding) the immediately preceding Trading Day to (and including) the relevant Trading Day, divided by 360;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the fixed rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency, being 1 unit of the Underlying Currency for 1 unit of the Settlement Currency;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means 5.00pm Central European Time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee**” means such fee deemed relevant by the Calculation Agent in determining the costs associated with hedging the Issuer’s obligations in respect of the Certificates. The Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate and will accrue on a daily basis and be calculated by the Calculation Agent on each Trading Day in accordance with the following formula:

$$FQMFL_{t-1} * RR_{t-1} * CLU_{t-1} * DCF_{t-1,t}$$

where

$FQMFL_{t-1}$ = Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee Level on previous Trading Day

RR_{t-1} = Rollover Ratio on previous Trading Day

CLU_{t-1} = The Price of the Reference Asset on the previous Trading Day

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and t Trading Days;

In case the Issuer realises a profit when arranging the Exchange Rate, the Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee Level can be negative.

“**Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee Level**” means with respect to the Launch Date, the Initial Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee Level and thereafter, the relevant Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee Level as determined by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may, on a daily basis, reset the Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee Level in its sole discretion having regard to prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant in determining the costs associated with hedging its obligations in respect of the Certificates. The Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee Level may include a rebate based on the Underlying Rate_{t-1}. The Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee Level may be reset on a daily basis and can be negative;

“**Initial Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee Level**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series on a per annum basis;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as it may specify from time to time;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means the first Business Day following the one year period from and including the Issue Date;

“**Issuer Call Amount**” means an amount equal to the Certificate Value at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Commencement Date.

“**Issuer Call Date**” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the five Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the fifth Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) System is open;

“**Rate**” means the prevailing rate for EUR deposits with a designated maturity of either 1 month or overnight (designated maturity selected by the Calculation Agent at its sole discretion), as determined by the Calculation Agent for each Day Count Fraction.

“**Reference Asset**” means the Reference Asset as of the Launch Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, and thereafter the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours on the Rollover

Date, effect substitution of a financially equivalent reference asset (the “**Substitute Asset**”) selected by the Issuer. Thereafter the Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“**Reference Asset Price**” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the applicable Bloomberg page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series, and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“**Rollover Date**” means a date, being a Trading Day, as selected by the Issuer within the period of ten Trading Days preceding when the first date upon which notice to deliver the Reference Asset may be given in accordance with the relevant terms and conditions of that Reference Asset;

“**Rollover Time**” means in the course of the usual Trading Hours on the Exchange on the Rollover Date (currently 11.02 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. Amsterdam Time);

“**Rollover Ratio**” means, for each Rollover Period, a ratio as determined by the Calculation Agent at the Rollover Time in accordance with the following formula:

$$RR_t = \frac{RF_{t-1} - TC_t}{RF_t + TC_t} * RR_{t-1}$$

where

RR_t = Rollover Ratio on Trading Day t

RF_{t-1} = Reference Asset prior to the Rollover Time on the Rolling Date

RF_t = Reference Asset after the Rollover Time on the Rolling Date (next 3 monthly or monthly future)

TC = Transaction Charge

$RR_0 = 1$

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“**Substitute Asset Price**” means the Reference Asset Price of the reference asset future which will be the Substitute Asset at the next following Rollover Date;

“**Securities**” means the open end certificates relating to the Reference Asset and each a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities specified as such in the definition of the relevant Final Terms:

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series;

“**Settlement Date**” means the fifth Business Day following the relevant Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Exchange and each Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Transaction Charge**” means a percentage rate as determined by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may adjust the Transaction Charge on each Rollover Date, but in any event the Transaction Charge will not exceed 0.10%. The Transaction Charge on the Launch Date is 0.05%;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series;

“**Underlying Rate_t**” means the prevailing rate for deposits in the Underlying Currency with a designated maturity of either one month or overnight (designated maturity selected by the Calculation Agent at its sole discretion), as determined by the Calculation Agent for each Day Count Fraction;

“**Valuation Date**” means the last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one calendar year after the Issue Date, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the five Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the fifth Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the closing time of the relevant Exchange, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

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2. FORM

The Securities are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least three months notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise or termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Certificate Value.
- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Certificate Value.
- (f) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “Notice”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

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- (2) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
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- (4) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Certificate Value (if any) for such Securities;
- (5) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or

- (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (6) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Certificate Value (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

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- (l) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the

delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

- (m) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

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- (n) **Material Change in Content.** The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content, composition of the Reference Asset; or
- (o) **De Minimis Trading.** The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or, a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (p) **Tax Disruption.** The imposition of, change in, or removal of an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or

measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Launch Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Reference Asset on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (q) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect thereto on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (r) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations.

5. GOVERNING LAW

The Conditions pertaining to the Securities shall be governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English law.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS

RELATING TO ROLLING COVERED CALL OPEN END CERTIFICATES

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“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Affected Index**” means an Index that is affected by a Market Disruption Event;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Call Options Exchange**” means, in relation to each Index, the options exchange with the highest turnover in Index options which as of the Issue Date is specified as such in the definition of the Basket;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

$$\text{Final Reference Price} \times \text{Entitlement}$$

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. If applicable, the Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate Value**” means the value of the certificate as detailed in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearing system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means in respect of each Security, if “Coupon” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified as such or to be calculated in accordance with the provisions set out in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, to be paid on the Coupon Payment Dates, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The Coupon will be deducted from the Certificate Value on the Coupon Observation Date immediately following the Coupon Observation Time without undue delay;

“**Coupon Observation Dates**” means, if “Coupon” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Coupon Observation Time” means, if “Coupon” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the time or times specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Coupon Payment Dates” means, if “Coupon” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Current Rolling Option” means the option specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Dividend Period” means in relation to each Index, the period from (but excluding) a Trading Day to (and including) the next Rolling Date;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Ex Coupon Date**” means, if “Coupon” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Exchange” means:

- (a) in respect of each Index, the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the **“Shares”**) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system; and
- (b) in respect of the Strategy, the exchange or quotation system from which the Calculation Agent takes the prices or level of the Strategy Components that comprise the Strategy to compute the Strategy or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, if applicable, the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expected Dividends” means with respect to each Index an amount equal to the net present value of regular dividends (whether stock or cash) excluding extraordinary dividends and capital adjustments (as determined by the relevant Index Sponsor). The amount will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole discretion in respect of the Strategy or shares in each Index, net of applicable withholding taxes and without reference to tax credits. The dividends included will be those whose ex-dividend date falls in a Dividend Period;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) equal to the Certificate Value at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date or, if applicable, the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or

(if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the Certificate Value on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares, the prices or level of the Strategy Components that comprise the Strategy and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means each index specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Currency**” means, in relation to each Index in the applicable Final Terms, the currency specified as such in the definition of the Basket;

“**Index Exchange Rate**” means, in relation to each Index and where applicable, the rate of exchange between the relevant Index Currency and the Settlement Currency taken from Reuters page WX= or as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Index Sponsor**” means, in relation to each Index, the sponsor specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the applicable Final Terms and shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Interim Settlement Amount**” means in respect of each Security, if “Interim Settlement” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, to be paid on the Interim Settlement Amount Payment Dates, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The Interim Settlement Amount will be deducted from the Certificate Value on the Interim Settlement Observation Date immediately following the Valuation Time without undue delay;

“**Interim Settlement Amount Payment Dates**” means, if “Interim Settlement” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interim Settlement Observation Dates” means, if “Interim Settlement” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as it may specify from time to time;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to an Affected Index in which case, the Issuer Call Date with respect to such Affected Index shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent deems relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Related Exchange” means in respect of each Index, an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“ADR”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“GDR”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Re-weighting” means with respect to each Index, if “Re-weighting” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Rolling Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Rolling Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series as more particularly described in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of rolling covered call open end certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms relating to the Strategy and each a “**Security**”. References to the term “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series;

“**Series**” means the series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strategy**” means the strategy calculated by the Calculation Agent and as specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Strategy Components**” means the components that make up the Strategy specified as such and described in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strategy Value**” means the value of the Strategy as detailed in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the relevant Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the relevant Index according to its rules;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or if such day is not a Trading Day, the next succeeding Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to an Affected Index in which case, the Valuation Date with respect to such Affected Index shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which

the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Valuation Time**” means with respect to each Index, the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means for each Index, the percentage specified as such in the definition of the Basket or Re-weighting, if applicable in the applicable Final Terms and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for

the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day, by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interim Settlement. If “Interim Settlement” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall pay an amount equal to the Interim Settlement Amount on each Interim Settlement Amount Payment Date. This is subject to the Certificate Value at the Valuation Time on each Interim Settlement Amount Observation Date being greater than the Interim Settlement Amount.
- (d) Coupon. If “Coupon” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall pay an amount equal to the Coupon on each Coupon Payment Date.
- (e) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, if applicable, and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date the Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise or, if applicable, a valid Issuer Call.
- (f) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (g) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any

errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount, Interim Settlement Amount, if applicable, or Coupon, if applicable.

- (h) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the

beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or

(5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and

(vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (i) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (j) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (k) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (l) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (m) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

This Product Condition 4 relates to each Index.

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means

- (i) In respect of the Index, the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading in (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index, if in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation;
or

- (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

(ii) In respect of the Strategy:

- (A) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Index Sponsor to announce or publish the price for the relevant Strategy Component (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Index Sponsor; or
- (B) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on any Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (C) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of each relevant Strategy Component on the relevant Exchange; or
- (D) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of calculating the price of each Strategy Component; or
- (E) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content, composition of each Strategy Component; or
- (F) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the relevant Exchange with respect to each Strategy Component is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the relevant Strategy Component has been impaired due to a lack of, or, a material reduction in, trading in the relevant Strategy Component on the relevant Exchange; or

- (G) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the relevant Strategy Component (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the relevant Strategy Component on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
 - (H) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the relevant Strategy Component with respect to it or any contract with respect thereto on any exchange or principal trading market; or
 - (I) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.
- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below.
 - (i) If the Index is: (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (ii) If: (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date or, if applicable, the Issuer Call Date as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date or, if applicable, the Issuer Call Date as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the

Successor Sponsor, fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level(s) for the Index on the Valuation Date or, if applicable, the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (I) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account. (A) (i) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (C) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (D) an extraordinary dividend; (E) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (G) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares

which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, if applicable; (H) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (I) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

(iv) The Issuer reserves the right to make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

(i), (ii) and (iv) above shall apply in the same context to the Strategy.

(c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO ROLLING MINI SHORT OPEN END CERTIFICATES ON AN INDEX

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearing system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, in relation to a Re-Financing Event or a Stop Loss Event, as the case may be, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

$$[1 + (1 / \text{Target Leverage Factor})] \times \text{Re-Financing Reference Price}$$

The Funding Cost will be added to the Current Financing Level prior to the opening of trading on the Exchange on each Trading Day.

On the Issue Date the Current Financing Level shall be the Initial Current Financing Level;

“**Current Leverage Factor**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of any Trading Day, a number determined by the Calculation Agent at the Valuation Time in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Reference Price} / (\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Reference Price})$$

On the Issue Date the Current Leverage Factor shall be the Target Leverage Factor;

“**Current Participation Factor**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in relation to a Re-Financing Event or Stop Loss Event, as the case may be, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, a number calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Target Leverage Factor} \times \text{Security Value} / \text{Re-Financing Reference Price}$$

For the avoidance of any doubt, where the Current Participation Factor is being adjusted following an Interim Settlement Event, the Security Value in the above mentioned formula shall be the Security Value following the deduction of the Interim Settlement Amount.

On the Issue Date the Current Participation Factor shall be the Initial Current Participation Factor;

“**Current Spread**” means a per annum percentage rate as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Calculation Agent may adjust the Current Spread on each Reset Date, but in any event, the Current Spread will not exceed the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the

applicable Final Terms) per annum. The Current Spread on the Issue Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its

affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Exchange” means each the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “Shares”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, where the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Execution Level” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion during the Execution Valuation Period, equal to the fair value level of the Index, based on the levels of the Index during the Execution Valuation Period;

“Execution Valuation Period” means a reasonable period immediately following the Re-Financing Event, Stop Loss Event or Knock Out Event, as the case may be, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, which period shall be determined by liquidity in the underlying market and shall not be greater than, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, 3 hours (the **“Maximum**

Execution Valuation Period”) (but excluding for this purpose any period during which a Market Disruption Event is continuing). Following a Re-Financing Event or if a Stop Loss Event or Knock Out Event, as the case may be, occurs less than the Maximum Execution Valuation Period prior to the official close of trading on the Exchange or the Related Exchange (excluding for this purpose any period during which a Market Disruption Event is continuing), such period shall continue to such number of sequential next following Trading Days as shall be necessary for the total number of such hours to be not more than the Maximum Execution Valuation Period as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period divided by 360;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any

other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Current Financing Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Current Participation Factor**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interim Settlement Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, upon the occurrence of an Interim Settlement Event, an amount equal to:

Security Value - Issue Price rounded down to the next full unit of the Settlement Currency

The Interim Settlement Amount shall be rounded down to the nearest integral multiple of the Interim Settlement Factor;

“**Interim Settlement Event**” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if at the Valuation Time on any Trading Day, and other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, the Security Value is greater than or equal to the Interim Settlement Level, and a Re-Financing Event shall be deemed to have occurred;

“**Interim Settlement Factor**” means the factor specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any variation by the Issuer at its sole and absolute discretion;

“**Interim Settlement Level**” means the Issue Price rounded down to the next full unit of the Settlement Currency plus the Interim Settlement Factor, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Price” means the amount as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Knock Out Event” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if at any time on any Trading Day from (and including) the Issue Date, and other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, the Security Value is less than or equal to the Knock Out Level, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“Knock Out Level” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Lower Leverage Limit” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the rate as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on any Trading Day as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Re-Financing Event” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if on any Trading Day at the Valuation Time, other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, (a) the Current Leverage Factor is less than or equal to the Lower Leverage Limit or (b) the Current Leverage Factor is greater than or equal to the Upper Leverage Limit or (c) an Interim Settlement Event has occurred, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Re-Financing Reference Price” means the Reference Price on the day on which a Re-Financing Event has, or is deemed to have, occurred;

“Related Exchange” means the options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issue Date and thereafter (a) the 15th day of each calendar month, provided that if such day is not a Business Day the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Securities” means each Series of the Rolling Mini Short Open End Certificates relating to the Index specified in the applicable Final Terms and each certificate a “Security”. References to the terms “Securities” and “Security” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Security Value” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the intrinsic value of a Security as determined by the Calculation Agent as follows:

- (a) with regard to the Interim Settlement Event: $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Reference Price}) \times \text{Current Participation Factor}$;
- (b) for the calculation of the Current Participation Factor: $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Execution Level}) \times \text{Current Participation Factor}$;

(c) with regard to the Knock-Out-Event: $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Reference Price}) \times \text{Current Participation Factor}$.

For the avoidance of any doubt, the Current Financing Level in the formula in (b) above shall be the Current Financing Level immediately before the occurrence of the Re-Financing Event;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the level of the Index (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) is at any time on any Trading Day, from and including the Issue Date, and other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, greater than or equal to the Stop Loss Level. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion. Upon the occurrence of such event, a Re-Financing Event shall be deemed to have occurred;

“**Stop Loss Level**” means an amount calculated on each Trading Day in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency, rounded down to the nearest whole number), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion on the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, equal to the Execution Level;

“**Target Leverage Factor**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount equal to the Reference Price on the Issuer Call Date;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Upper Leverage Limit**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and are represented by a global security (the “Global Security”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be

conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “Holder” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions,

the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Knock Out Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, the Issuer shall determine the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price and shall notionally re-invest the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price in the Index on the basis of a Re-Financing Event having occurred contemporaneously therewith.
- (c) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of a Knock Out Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Interim Settlement Event. Following the occurrence of an Interim Settlement Event, the Calculation Agent shall determine and pay the Interim Settlement Amount to the account of the relevant Holder via the Clearing Agent on the Settlement Date and adjust the Security Value on the basis of a Re-Financing Event having occurred contemporaneously therewith. Any amounts not paid via the Clearing Agent shall be retained by the Issuer for payment to the relevant Holder against evidence satisfactory to the Issuer of the Holder’s entitlement to such amount.
- (e) Knock Out Event. Following the occurrence of a Knock Out Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. A Knock Out Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Knock Out Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.

- (f) Re-Financing Event. On or promptly following a Re-Financing Event the Calculation Agent shall adjust the Current Financing Level and the Current Participation Factor as set out in Product Condition 1.
- (g) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, determination of an Interim Settlement Event or following a Knock Out Event and except in the case of an Interim Settlement Event subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Interim Settlement Amount, following an Interim Settlement Event; or
 - (iv) The Knock Out Cash Amount, following a Knock Out Event.
- (h) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (i) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (j) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “Notice”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;

- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “U.S. person” means:
 - (a) any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act;
 - (b) any person or entity other than one of the following:
 - (1) a natural person who is not a resident of the United States;
 - (2) a partnership, corporation or other entity, other than an entity organised principally for passive investment, organised under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States and which has its principal place of business in a jurisdiction other than the United States;
 - (3) an estate or trust, the income of which is not subject to United States income tax regardless of source;
 - (4) an entity organised principally for passive investment such as a pool, investment company or other similar entity, provided that units of participation in the entity held by U.S. persons represent in the aggregate less than 10 per cent. of the beneficial interest in the entity, and that such entity was not formed principally for the purpose of facilitating investment by U.S. persons; or
 - (5) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of an entity organised and with its principal place of business outside the United States; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (k) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, in either case that is reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (l) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.

- (m) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (n) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent or the Swiss Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (o) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise), (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index, if in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) **Adjustments to Index.** The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below.

- (i) If the Index is: (A) not calculated and announced by the Index sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be

the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (ii) If: (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, Issuer Call Date, or the occurrence of a Re-Financing Event or occurrence of the Knock Out Event as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, Issuer Call Date, or the occurrence of a Re-Financing Event or occurrence of the Knock Out Event the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor, fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price, the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price, or the Termination Reference Price, the Reference Price or the Knock Out Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or during the Execution Valuation Period as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account. (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the shares comprising the Index (the “Shares”) of: (aa) Shares; or

(bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Knock Out Event as the case may be; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

(iv) The Issuer reserves the right to make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

(c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall,

as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

FORM OF FINAL TERMS

DATED []



The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.
(incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam)

[NUMBER] [UNDERLYING] [TYPE OF PRODUCT] [CERTIFICATES]

[INDICATIVE] ISSUE PRICE: [][]

[SECURITIES WITH ROLLOVER FEATURE ADMITTED TO TRADING ON SCOACH SWITZERLAND LTD. AND LISTED ON SIX SWISS EXCHANGE LTD. ONLY:

THESE SECURITIES PROVIDE FOR A DYNAMIC STRUCTURE WITH REGARD TO AN ADJUSTMENT OF THE UNDERLYING] [SPECIFY OTHER]

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES DO NOT CONSTITUTE UNITS OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SWISS FEDERAL ACT ON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES ("CISA") AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF, OR SUPERVISION BY THE SWISS FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY ("FINMA"). HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES ARE EXPOSED TO THE CREDIT RISK OF THE ISSUER.

FINAL TERMS

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the General Conditions and the Product Conditions applicable to each Series of Securities described herein (the “relevant Product Conditions”) as set forth in the Base Prospectus relating to Open End Certificates dated 1 July 2010 (the “Base Prospectus”) as supplemented from time to time which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC) (the “Prospectus Directive”). This document constitutes the Final Terms of each Series of the Securities described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and must be read in conjunction with the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. Full information on the Issuer and each Series of the Securities described herein is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. The Base Prospectus as so supplemented is available for viewing at the office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom and copies may be obtained from the Issuer at that address.

These Final Terms relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the relevant Product Conditions contained in the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. These Final Terms, the relevant Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of each Series of the Securities described herein and will be attached to any Global Security representing each such Series of the Securities. In the event of any inconsistency between these Final Terms and the General Conditions or the relevant Product Conditions, these Final Terms will govern.

In respect of Securities to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Programme, together with any Final Terms, will constitute the listing prospectus pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

The Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets has provided the [names of competent authorities of host Member States] with a certificate of approval attesting that the Base Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.

So far as the Issuer is aware, no person (other than the Issuer in its separate capacities as Issuer and Calculation Agent, see “Risk Factors – Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the Underlying” and “Risk Factors – Actions taken by the Issuer may affect the value of the Securities” in the Base Prospectus) involved in the issue of the Certificates has an interest material to the offer. [NB: Amend as appropriate if there are interests]

Issuer:

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., acting through [its principal office at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The

Netherlands][its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA][other]

Clearing Agents: [Clearstream Banking AG]
[Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (Euroclear Netherlands)]
[Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as operator of the Euroclear system]
[Clearstream Banking, société anonyme]
[SIX SIS Ltd]
[The Depository Trust Company]
[Other, including address]

Launch Date: []

Subscription Period: []

As, if and when issued trading: []

Issue Date: []

Listing: []

Listing Date: [.....][Application has been made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Securities to be listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd]

Pricing Date: []

Admission to trading: [Application has been made for the Securities to be admitted to trading on [] with effect from [].] [No application for admission to trading has been made.] [Application has been made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Securities to be listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. and admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd., provided that no assurance can be given that the Securities will be admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. or listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. on the Issue Date or any specific date thereafter.] [Securities listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. may be suspended from trading in accordance with Article 57 of the SIX Listing Rules or be delisted from SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. during the lifetime of the Securities.]]

Announcements to Holders: Delivered to Clearing Agents

Principal Agent: [The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA]

Registrar: [JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., Trinity Towers, 9 Thomas More Street, London E1 9YT, United Kingdom][specify other][None]

Agent(s) [and Transfer Agent(s)]: [ABN AMRO Bank N.V. MF 2020 Kemelstede 2, P.O. Box 3200, 4800 DE Breda, The Netherlands] [Citibank International Plc, Netherlands Branch, Global Transaction Services, Hoge Mosten 2, 4822 NH Breda, The Netherlands]

Calculation Agent: The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("**Securities Act**") and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the

account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities

Indication of yield:	Not Applicable
Form of the Securities	[Global Security] [Dematerialised form] [Global Security transformed into Intermediated Securities] (<i>Only applicable to Securities where the Clearing Agent is SIX SIS Ltd</i>) Dematerialised Securities transformed into Intermediated Securities] (<i>Only applicable to Securities where the Clearing Agent is SIX SIS Ltd</i>)
<i>[Securities admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. only:]</i>	<i>[Delete the following sections if Securities will not be admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.]</i>
First Trading Day:	[] [Anticipated to be the Issue Date]
Last Trading Day:	[] [trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. until official close of trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. on that day]
Minimum Trading Size:	[]
Payment Date:	[Issue Date]
Type of quoting (in case of interest component)	[flat/dirty trading or clean trading] [Not Applicable]
Minimum Exercise	[]
Governing Law	The Securities are subject to English law
Jurisdiction	The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or in connection with the Securities
Swiss Agent	The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland, phone +41 44 285 58 58, fax +41 44 285 56 16
Recognised Representative for the purpose of Article 43 Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd:	The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland, phone +41 44 285 58 58, fax +41 44 285 56 16
Paying Agent	The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. acting through its principal office at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Announcements to Holders / Publications	Any notices or publications to be made to Holders will be made through the online information system of SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd., by publishing on SIX Swiss Exchange's website http://www.six-exchange-regulation.com/publications/comm_uniques/official_notices_en.html .
Issue Size of Series or Number of Securities	[].
Interest Ex-Date (in case of interest component)	[]
Type of quoting (in case of interest component)	[flat/dirty trading or clean trading][Not Applicable]

COMMODITY OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series: [Commodity] Open End Certificates Series []

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] [specify]

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Cash Amount: [Final Reference Price x Entitlement] [specify other]

Commodity: [] (Bloomberg Page: [])

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Entitlement: []

Exchange: []

Exercise Date: [The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] [specify other]

Exercise Time: [10.00 am Central European Time] [specify other]

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [The first Business Day following the [six month][one year][two year] period from and including the Issue Date] [specify other]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [three months][one calendar year][two calendar years] [specify other]

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [specify other]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [The last Trading Day of [March] in each year, commencing from and including [March] [year]] [specify other]

Valuation Time: [The time of the London [morning][daily][afternoon] fixing price for the Commodity] [specify other]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []
 Common Code: []
 Fondscod: []
 WKN: []
 Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and []
future performance of the Underlying and
its volatility can be obtained:

Series: *[Commodity] Open End Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

COMMODITY OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

Series: *[Commodity] Open End Quanto Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Annual Fee: [[] per cent. per annum]*[specify other]*

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: $[CA_t = CA_{t-1} * (1 + DCF_{t-1,t} \times Rate_{t-1}) + QMF_t + CF_t]$

where:

CA_t = Cash Amount on Trading Day t

CA_{t-1} = Cash Amount on Trading Day t-1

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = Day Count Fraction between Trading Day (t-1) and Trading Day t

$Rate_{t-1}$ = Rate on previous Trading Day

QMF_t = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t

CF_t = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t.]

[specify other]

Certificate Value: $[CV_t = [CLU_t - CA_t] * CE]$

where:

CV_t = Certificate Value on Trading Day t

CLU_t = Final Reference Price on Trading Day t

CA_t = Cash Amount on Trading Day t

CE = Entitlement]

[specify other]

Commodity: [] (Bloomberg Page: [])

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: []

Exchange: []

Exercise Date: [The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] *[specify other]*

Exercise Time: [10.00 am Central European Time] [*specify other*]
 Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level: [[] per cent. per annum][*specify other*]
 Issuer Call Commencement Date: [The first Business Day following the [six month][one year][two year] period from and including the Issue Date] [*specify other*]
 Issuer Call Notice Period: [three months][one calendar year][two calendar years] [*specify other*]
 Certificate Fee: [$CF_t = Fee * CLU_{t-1} * DCF_{t-1,t}$]

where:

CF_t = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t

Fee = Annual Fee

CLU_{t-1} = Reference Price on the previous Trading Day (or, if there is a Market Disruption Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below)

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and t Trading Days]

[*specify other*]

Quanto Maintenance Fee: [$QMF_t = QMFL_{t-1} * CLU_{t-1} * DCF_{t-1,t}$]

where:

QMF_t = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t

$QMFL_{t-1}$ = the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level on Trading Day (t-1)

CLU_{t-1} = the Reference Price on Trading Day (t-1) (or, if there is a Market Disruption Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below)

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = the Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and Trading Day t]

[*specify other*]

Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:

Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [The last Trading Day of [March] in each year, commencing from and including [March] [*year*]] [*specify other*]

Valuation Time: [The time of the London [morning][daily][afternoon] fixing price for the Commodity] [*specify other*]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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[repeat as above for each new Series]

COMMODITY FUTURES AND COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS

OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series: *[Commodity] Futures and [Commodity] Forward Contracts Open End Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: [Final Reference Price x Rollover Ratio x Entitlement]*[specify other]*

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: []

Exchange: []

Exercise Date: [The third Business Day preceding the Scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] *[specify other]*

Exercise Time: [10.00 am Central European time] *[specify other]*

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [The first Business Day following the [[one year] period from and including the] Issue Date] *[specify other]*

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Three months][One calendar year] *[specify other]*

Reference Asset: [] (Screen Page: [])

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Rollover Date:	[A date, being a Trading Date, as selected by the Issuer within the last 10 Trading Days prior to the [last Trading Day of the Reference Asset] ¹ [last Trading Day of the reference asset with an expiry month preceding the existing Reference Asset] ²] [the period ending not less than 10 Trading Days prior to the first notice date of the Reference Asset] ³ [a date, being a Trading Day, as selected by the Issuer prior to the period of 10 [Business Days][Trading Days] preceding the first notice date of the Reference Asset] ⁴ [the prompt date of the reference asset with an expiry month preceding the current existing Reference Asset] ⁵ [<i>specify other</i>]
Rollover Ratio:	$[(A-B)/(C+D)] \times E$ where (i) A is the Reference Asset Price; (ii) B is the Transaction Charge multiplied by the Reference Asset Price; (iii) C is the Substitute Asset Price; (iv) D is the Transaction Charge multiplied by the Substitute Asset Price and (v) E is the immediately preceding Rollover Ratio [<i>specify other</i>]
Rollover Time:	[In the course of the usual Trading Hours on the Exchange (currently [11.02 am to 8.30 pm Central European Time])] [<i>specify other</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [<i>specify other</i>]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Transaction Charge:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Underlying Currency:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing from and including March [year]] [<i>specify other</i>]

¹ Applicable to Quanto certificates where the Reference Asset is oil, coffee
² Applicable to Quanto certificates where the Reference Asset is cocoa, sugar
³ Applicable to Quanto certificates where the Reference Asset is wheat
⁴ Applicable to certificates where the Reference Asset is **not** a metal commodity
⁵ Applicable to **all** certificates where the Reference Asset is aluminum or copper

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COMMODITY FUTURES AND COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS

OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

Series: *[Commodity] Futures and [Commodity] Forward Contracts Open End Quanto Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Annual Fee: [] *[specify other]*

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: *[specify]*

Certificate Value:
$$CV_t = [CLU_t * RR_t - CA_t] \times CE$$

where:

$CV_t =$ Certificate Value on Trading Day t

$CLU_t =$ Final Reference Price on Trading Day t

$CA_t =$ Cash Amount on Trading Day t

$CE =$ Entitlement

$RR_t =$ Rollover Ratio on Trading Day t

[specify other]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: []

Exchange: []

Exercise Date: [The third Business Day preceding the Scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] *[specify other]*

Exercise Time: [10.00 am Central European time] *[specify other]*

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level: []

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [The first Business Day following the [[one year] period from and including the] Issue Date] *[specify other]*

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Three months][One calendar year] *[specify other]*

Certificate Fee:

$$[CF_t = Fee * CLU_{t-1} * DCF_{t-1,t} * RR_{t-1}]$$

where:

CF_t = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t

Fee = Annual Fee

CLU_{t-1} = Reference Asset Price on the previous Trading Day at the Valuation Time as announced by the Exchange, converted into the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate (or, if there is a Market Disruption Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below)

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and t Trading Days

RR_{t-1} = Rollover Ratio on Trading Day (t-1)]

[*specify other*]

Quanto Maintenance Fee:

$$[QMF_t = QMFL_{t-1} * CLU_{t-1} * DCF_{t-1,t} * RR_{t-1}$$

where:

QMF_t = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t

QMFL_{t-1} = the Quanto Maintenance Fee Level on Trading Day (t-1)

RR_{t-1} = the Rollover Ratio on Trading Day (t-1)

CLU_{t-1} = the Reference Asset Price at the Valuation Time on Trading Day (t-1) as announced by the Exchange, converted into the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate (or, if there is a Market Disruption Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below)

DCF_{t, t-1} = means the Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and Trading Day t]

[specify other]

Reference Asset:

[] (Screen Page: [])

Relevant Currency:

[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days:

For the purposes of:

Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Rollover Date:

[A date, being a Trading Date, as selected by the Issuer within the last 10 Trading Days prior to the [last Trading Day of the Reference Asset]⁶ [last Trading Day of the reference asset with an expiry month preceding the existing Reference Asset]⁷] [the period ending not less than 10 Trading Days prior to the first notice date of the Reference Asset]⁸ [a date, being a Trading Day, as selected by the Issuer prior to the period of 10 [Business Days][Trading Days] preceding the first notice date of the Reference Asset] [the prompt date of the reference asset with an expiry month preceding the current existing Reference Asset]⁹ [specify other]

⁶ Applicable where the Reference Asset is oil, coffee

Rollover Ratio:	$[(A-B)/(C+D)] \times E$ where (i) A is the Reference Asset Price; (ii) B is the Transaction Charge multiplied by the Reference Asset Price; (iii) C is the Substitute Asset Price; (iv) D is the Transaction Charge multiplied by the Substitute Asset Price and (v) E is the immediately preceding Rollover Ratio][<i>specify other</i>]
Rollover Time:	[In the course of the usual Trading Hours on the Exchange (currently [11.02 am to 8.30 pm Central European Time])] [<i>specify other</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [<i>specify other</i>]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Transaction Charge:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Underlying Currency:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing from and including March [year]] [<i>specify other</i>]

7 Applicable where the Reference Asset is cocoa, sugar
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FUND OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series: [Fund] Open End Certificates Series []

Issue Price: []

Additional Fund Event: [None] [specify]

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Cash Amount: [Final Reference Price x Entitlement] [specify other]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Entitlement: []

Exchange: [] [Not Applicable]

Exercise Date: [The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] [specify other]

Exercise Time: [10.00 am Central European Time] [specify other]

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Fund [] (Bloomberg Page: [])

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [The first Business Day following [the [one year] period from and including] the Issue Date] [specify other]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [One calendar year] [specify other]

Reference Asset: []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [specify other]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [The last Trading Day of [March] in each year, commencing from and including [March] [year]] [specify other]

Valuation Time: [The close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Reference Asset where the Fund is an exchange traded fund] [specify other]

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FUND OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

Series: *[Fund] Open End Quanto Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Fund Event: [None] *[specify]*

Annual Fee: [[] per cent. Per annum] *[specify other]*

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: $[CA_t = CA_{t-1} * (1 + DCF_{t-1,t} \times Rate_{t-1}) + QMF_t + CF_t]$

where:

$CA_t =$ Cash Amount on Trading Day t

$CA_{t-1} =$ Cash Amount on Trading Day t-1

$DCF_{t-1,t} =$ Day Count Fraction between Trading Day (t-1) and Trading Day t

$Rate_{t-1} =$ Rate on previous Trading Day

$QMF_t =$ Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t

$CF_t =$ Certificate Fee on Trading Day t.]

[specify other]

Certificate Value: $[CV_t = [CLU_t - CA_t] \times CE]$

where:

$CV_t =$ Certificate Value on Trading Day t

$CLU_t =$ Final Reference Price on Trading Day t

$CA_t =$ Cash Amount on Trading Day t

$CE =$ Entitlement]

[specify other]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: []

Exchange: [] [Not Applicable]

Exercise Date: [The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] [*specify other*]

Exercise Time: [10.00 am Central European Time] [*specify other*]

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Fund: [] (Bloomberg Page: [])

Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level: [[] per cent. Per annum][*specify other*]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [The first Business Day following [the [one year] period from and including] the Issue Date] [*specify other*]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [One calendar year] [*specify other*]

Certificate Fee: [$CF_t = Fee \times CLU_{t-1} \times DCF_{t-1,t}$]

where

$CF_t =$ Certificate Fee on Trading Day t

Fee = Annual Fee

$CLU_{t-1} =$ Reference Price on Trading Day (t-1)
(or if there is a Fund Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below)

$DCF_{t-1,t} =$ Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and t Trading Days]

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Quanto Maintenance Fee:

$$[QMF_t = QMFL_{t-1} \times CLU_{t-1} \times DCF_{t-1,t}$$

where

QMF_t = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t

QMFL_{t-1} = Quanto Maintenance Fee Level Trading Day (t-1)

CLU_{t-1} = Reference Price on Trading Day (t-1) (or if there is a Fund Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below)

DCF_{t-1,t} = Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and t Trading Days]

[specify other]

Reference Asset:

[]

Relevant Currency:

[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days:

For the purposes of:

Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency:

[]

Settlement Date:

[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [specify other]

Standard Currency:

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Underlying Currency:

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Valuation Date(s):

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Valuation Time:

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INDEX OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series:	<i>[Index] Open End Certificates Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Cash Amount:	[Final Reference Price x Entitlement] [{(Issue Price x [Final Reference Price/Initial Reference Price]) x [Initial Exchange Rate/Final Exchange Rate]} – Index Fee less any accrued Maintenance Fee] <i>[specify other]</i>
Early Termination Amount:	[Not applicable][As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Early Termination Date:	[Not applicable][As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Early Termination Event:	[Not applicable][Occurs if the total number of Shares comprised in the Index is less than the minimum number of index components, as specified in the Index Description] <i>[specify other]</i>
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[]
Exercise Date:	[The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] <i>[specify other]</i>
Exercise Time:	[10.00 am][5.00 pm] Central European Time <i>[specify other]</i>
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Index:	[] (Bloomberg Code: [])
Index Fee:	[[] per cent. Per annum]

$$[IF = \{C_{(t-1)} \times [\quad] \times D_{(t)}\} / 360$$

where:

“**IF**” means the aggregated Index Fee from the Issue Date to the Issuer Call Date[, Early Termination Date] or the Valuation Date, as the case may be;

“**C_(t-1)**” means the Cash Amount determined by the Calculation Agent on the immediately preceding Trading Day; and

“**D_(t)**” means the number of Trading Days from (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the Issuer Call Date[, Early Termination Date] or the Valuation Date, as the case may be.]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Initial Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[The first Business Day following the [six month][one year][two year] period from and including the Issue Date] [<i>specify other</i>]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[Three months][One calendar year][Two calendar years] [<i>specify other</i>]
Maximum Maintenance Fee:	[[<input type="text"/>] per cent. Per annum][Not Applicable] [<i>specify other</i>]
Pricing Date(s):	[<input type="text"/>]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: [Early Termination Date:] <input type="text"/> [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Issuer Call Date: <input type="text"/> [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: <input type="text"/> [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[<input type="text"/>]
Settlement Date:	[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date[, Early Termination Date] or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [<i>specify other</i>]
Standard Currency	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Trading Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Underlying Currency:	[<input type="text"/>]
Valuation Date(s):	The last Trading Day of [March] in each year, commencing from and including [March] [year] [<i>specify other</i>]

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The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: *[Index] Open End Certificates Series [] [other]*
[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

Series: *[Index] Open End Quanto Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Annual Fee: [[] per cent. Per annum] *[specify other]*

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount:

$$[CA_t = CA_{t-1} * (1 + DCF_{t-1,t} \times Rate_{t-1}) + QMF_t + CF_t - D_t]$$

where:

“Ca_t” = Cash Amount on Trading Day t
 “CA_{t-1}” = Cash Amount on Trading Day t-1
 “DCF_{t-1,t}” = Day Count Fraction between Trading Day (t-1) and Trading Day t
 “Rate_{t-1}” = Rate on previous Trading Day
 “QMF_t” = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t
 “CF_t” = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t
 “D_t” = Dividends on Trading Day t.

The Cash Amount on the Launch Date is zero. The Cash Amount can be negative.]¹⁰

[{(Issue Price x [Final Reference Price/Initial Reference Price]) – Index Fee} – Quanto Fee

less any accrued Maintenance Fee. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards.]

[specify other]

Certificate Value: $[CV_t = [CLU_t - CA_t] \times CE]$

where:

CV_t = Certificate Value on Trading Day t
 CLU_t = Final Reference Price on Trading Day t
 CA_t = Cash Amount on Trading Day t
 CE = Entitlement]

[specify other]

Dividends: [Applicable][Not Applicable]¹¹ *[specify other]*

¹⁰ This and the next formula are alternatives for the quanto product
¹¹ Depends on the underlying index

Early Termination Amount:	[Not applicable][As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Early Termination Date:	[Not applicable][As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Early Termination Event:	[Not applicable][Occurs if the total number of Shares comprised in the Index is less than the minimum number of index components, as specified in the Index Description] [<i>specify other</i>]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Entitlement:	[]
Exercise Date:	[The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] [<i>specify other</i>]
Exercise Time:	[10.00 am][5.00 pm] Central European Time [<i>specify other</i>]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Index:	[] (Bloomberg Code: [])
Index Fee:	[[] per cent. Per annum] $[\text{IF} = \{C_{(t-1)} \times [] \times D_{(t)}\} / 360$ <p>where:</p> <p>“IF” means the aggregated Index Fee from the Issue Date to the Issuer Call Date[, Early Termination Date] or the Valuation Date, as the case may be;</p> <p>“C_(t-1)” means the Cash Amount determined by the Calculation Agent on the immediately preceding Trading Day; and</p> <p>“D_(t)” means the number of Trading Days from (and including) the Issue Date[, Early Termination Date] to (but excluding) the Issuer Call Date or the Valuation Date, as the case may be.]</p> [Not Applicable] [<i>specify other</i>]
Initial Quanto Fee Level:	[[] per cent. Per annum] [<i>specify other</i>]
Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level:	[[] per cent. Per annum] [<i>specify other</i>]
Initial Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[The first Business Day following the [six month][one year][two year] period from and including the Issue Date] [<i>specify other</i>]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[Three months][One calendar year][Two calendar years] [<i>specify other</i>]

Certificate Fee:

$$[CF_t = Fee \times CLU_{t-1} \times DCF_{t-1,t}]$$

where

CF_t = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t

Fee = Annual Fee

CLU_{t-1} = the Reference Price on Trading Day (t-1)
(or if there is a Market Disruption Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below)

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and t Trading Days]

[*specify other*]

Maximum Maintenance Fee:

[[] per cent. Per annum][Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Quanto Fee:

$$[QF = \sum_{i=1}^n QFL_i \times CLI_i \times QFDCF_{i-1,i}]$$

where:

QF = the aggregated Quanto Fee from the Issue Date to the Issuer Call Date[, Early Termination Date] or the Valuation Date, as the case may be;

QFL_i = the prevailing Quanto Fee level on the ith Trading Day;

CLI_i = the closing level of the Index (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) as announced by the Index Sponsor on the relevant Trading Day (or, if there has been a Market Disruption Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below);

QFDCF_{i-1,i} = the Quanto Fee Day Count Fraction from the (i-1) Trading Day to the ith Trading Day; and

n = the number of Trading Days from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Issuer Call Date[, Early Termination Date] or the Valuation Date, as the case may be]

[specify other]

Quanto Maintenance Fee:

$$[QMF_t = QMFL_{t-1} \times CLU_{t-1} \times DCF_{t-1,t}]$$

where

QMF_t = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t

QMFL_{t-1} = Quanto Maintenance Fee Level Trading Day (t-1)

CLU_{t-1} = the Reference Price on Trading Day (t-1) (or if there is a Market Disruption Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, (as specified below)

DCF_{t-1,t} = Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and t Trading Days]

[specify other]

Relevant Currency:

[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days:

For the purposes of:

[Early Termination Date:] [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency:

[]

Settlement Date:

[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date[, Early Termination Date] or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [specify other]

Standard Currency:

[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Trading Day:

[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Underlying Currency:

[]

Valuation Date(s):

The last Trading Day of [March] in each year, commencing from and including [March] [year] [specify other]

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[other]

[repeat as above for each new Series]

TOTAL RETURN MONEY MARKET INDEX OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series:	[Total Return Money Market Index] Open End Certificates Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Cash Amount:	[]
Emerging Market Disruption Events	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Exercise Date:	[The third Trading Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] [specify other]
Exercise Time:	[5.00 pm local time in Frankfurt am Main, Germany] [specify other]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Index:	[Currency] Total Return Money Market Instrument (Bloomberg Code [])
Initial Reference Price:	[]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[[Two] Trading Days] [specify other]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[[Fifth] Trading Day following the relevant Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [specify other]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Underlying Currency:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of [month] in each year, commencing from and including [month] [year]] [specify other]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: *[Total Return Money Market Index] Open End
Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

BASKET OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series: *[[ABN AMRO Basket]] Open End Certificates Series*
[]

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Basket:

Basket Constituent	[WKN/Valoren]	Weight
[The Current Price of the Futures Contract on Coffee Open End Certificates]	[]	[]%
[The Current Price of the Futures Contract on Cocoa Open End Certificates]	[]	[]%
[The Current Price of the A Futures Contract on Frozen Orange Juice Open End Certificates]	[]	[]%
[The Current Price of the Futures Contract on Wheat Open End Certificates]	[]	[]%
[The Current Price of the Futures Contract on Sugar Open End Certificates]	[]	[]%

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: [Final Reference Price x Entitlement] *[specify other]*

Constituent Closing Price: []

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: []

Exchange: [Stuttgart Stock Exchange (EUWAX)] [Swiss Stock Exchange] *[specify other]*

Exercise Date: [The third Business Day preceding the Scheduled Valuation Date as provided in Product Condition 3] *[specify other]*

Exercise Time: [10.00 am local time in Frankfurt am Main, Germany] *[specify other]*

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Initial Reference Price: [EUR 100] *[specify other]*

Issuer Call Notice Period: [One calendar year] *[specify other]*

Pricing Date: []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issue Date – 1: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Re-weighting Day – 1: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Re-weighting Day:	[The first Trading Day of each year commencing [year]] [<i>specify other</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and, in the event that there is more than one Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date in relation to the Basket, the Settlement Date shall be the [fifth] Business Day following the last Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [<i>specify other</i>]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Underlying Currency	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing from and including March [year]] [<i>specify other</i>]

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Series: *[[ABN AMRO Basket]] Open End Certificates Series*
[]

[repeat as above for each new Series]

ASSET OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

Series:	[Asset] Open End Quanto Certificates Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Cash Amount:	[Final Reference Price x Entitlement] [specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Date:	[The third Business Day preceding the Scheduled Valuation Date as provided in Product Condition 3] [specify other]
Exercise Time:	[10.00 am][5.00 pm][Central European Time][local time in Frankfurt am Main, Germany] [specify other]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level:	[[] per cent. per annum] [specify other]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[The first Business Day following the [[six month][two year] period from and including the] Issue Date] [specify other]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[30 calendar days][One calendar year][Two calendar years] [specify other]

Quanto Maintenance Fee:

$$[MF = \sum_{i=1}^n MFL_i \times CLI_i \times MFDCF_{i-1,i}]$$

where:

“MF” = the aggregated Quanto Maintenance Fee from the Issue Date to the Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be;

“MFL_i” = the prevailing Quanto Maintenance Fee Level on the ith Trading Day (as defined below);

“CLI_i” = the closing level of the Reference Asset (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement Currency using the Exchange Rate) on the relevant Trading Day (or, if there has been a Market Disruption Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below);

“MFDCF_{i-1,i}” = the Quanto Maintenance Fee Day Count Fraction from the (i-1)th Trading Day to ith Trading Day (as defined below); and

“n” = the number of Trading Days from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, as the case may be.]

[*specify other*]

Reference Asset:

[] (Bloomberg Page [])

Relevant Currency:

[As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days:

For the purposes of:

Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency:

[]

Settlement Date:

[The [fifth] Business Day following the relevant Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency:

[As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Underlying Currency:

[]

Valuation Date(s): [The last Trading Day of [March] in each year, commencing from and including [March] [year]] [specify other]

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[repeat as above for each new Series]

FUND BASKET OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES

Series: *Fund Basket Open End Quanto Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Fund Event: [None] [*specify*]

Annual Fee: [[] per cent. per annum][Not Applicable]
[*specify other*]

Basket:

Basket Constituent (i) (Bloomberg: [])	Initial Weight	[Reference Asset	Exchange
(i = 1...n)		Asset	
[specify] [specify]	[specify]	[specify]	[specify]

Basket Launch Date []

Basket Level [

$$I_t = I(RW - 1) \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i \frac{UF_{i,t}}{UF(RW - 1)_i} \right)$$

Where:

I_t = The Basket Level on Trading Day t

$I(RW-1)$ = The Basket Level on the previous Re-weighting Date based on the Notional Transaction Price.

W_i = The Weight allocated to Basket Constituent i (i = 1...n)

$UF_{i,t}$ = The Notional Transaction Price of Basket Constituent i on Trading Day t

$UF(RW-1)_i$ = The Notional Transaction Price of Basket Constituent i with regard to the previous Re-weighting Date.]

[*specify other*]

Business Day [The definition in product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Cash Amount [

$$CA_t = CA_{t-1} * (1 + DCF_{t-1,t} \times Rate_{t-1}) + QMF_t + CF_t$$

where:

CA_t = Cash Amount on Trading Day t

CA_{t-1} = Cash Amount on Trading Day t-1

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = Day Count Fraction between Trading Day (t-1) and Trading Day t

Rate_{t-1} = Rate on previous Trading Day
 QMF_t = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t
 CF_t = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t.

The Cash Amount on the Launch Date is zero. The Cash Amount can be negative]

[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Certificate Value:

[

$$CV_t = [CLU_t - CA_t] \times CE$$

where:

CV_t = Certificate Value on Trading Day t

CLU_t = Final Reference Price on Trading Day t

CA_t = Cash Amount on Trading Day t

CE = Entitlement

CV₀ = []

$$[CV_t = CV_{t-1} \times \left(\frac{I_t}{I_{t-1}} - CF_t - QMF_t \right)]$$

where:

CV_t = Certificate Value on Trading Day t

CV_{t-1} = Certificate Value on Trading Day t-1

I_t = Basket Level on Trading Day t as announced by the Calculation Agent

I_{t-1} = Basket Level on Trading Day t-1 as announced by the Calculation Agent

CF_t = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t

QMF_t = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t

CV₀ = []

[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Entitlement: [] [Not Applicable]

Exchange: [See Basket] [Not Applicable]

Exercise Date: [The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] [*specify other*]

Exercise Time: [10.00 am Central European Time] [*specify other*]

Final Reference Price [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Initial Basket Level [] [Not Applicable]

Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level: [[] per cent. per annum] [*specify other*]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [The first Business Day following [the [one year] period from and including] the Issue Date] [*specify other*]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [One calendar year] [*specify other*]

Certificate Fee: [

$$CF_t = Fee \times CLU_{t-1} \times DCF_{t-1,t}$$

where

CF_t = Certificate Fee on Trading Day t

Fee = Annual Fee

CLU_{t-1} = Reference Price on Trading Day (t-1) (or if there is a Fund Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below)

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and t Trading Days;]

[*specify other*]

Quanto Maintenance Fee

[

$$QMF_t = QMFL_{t-1} \times CLU_{t-1} \times DCF_{t-1,t}$$

where

QMF_t = Quanto Maintenance Fee on Trading Day t

$QMFL_{t-1}$ = Quanto Maintenance Fee Level

Trading Day (t-1)

CLU_{t-1} = Reference Price on Trading Day (t-1)
(or if there is a Fund Event on such day, the level as determined as if such Trading Day was a Valuation Date, as specified below)

$DCF_{t-1,t}$ = Day Count Fraction between (t-1) and t Trading Days

If the Issuer realises a profit when arranging the Exchange Rate the Quanto Maintenance Fee could be negative;]

[*specify other*]

Quanto Maintenance Fee Level	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Rate	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Re-Weighting Date – 1: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Re-weighting Dates:	[3 months after the Basket Launch Date and every three months thereafter commencing on []] [<i>specify other</i>]
Re-weighting Table	[[]% in the Basket Constituent with the best Performance []% in the Basket Constituent with the second best Performance []% in the Basket Constituent with the third best Performance []% in the Basket Constituent with the fourth best Performance] [<i>specify other</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [<i>specify other</i>]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]

Trading Day [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Underlying Currency: []

Valuation Date(s): [The last Trading Day of [March] in each year, commencing from and including [March] [*year*]] [*specify other*]

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Series:

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[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX BASKET OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series:	[[ABN AMRO Basket]] Open End Certificates Series []	
Issue Price:	[]	
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>	
Annual Fee:	[% per annum]	
Basket:		
Index	[Underlying Currency]	Weight
[] [Bloomberg Code:]	[]	[]% [see below]
[] [Bloomberg Code:]	[]	[]% [see below]
[] [Bloomberg Code:]	[]	[]% [see below]
[] [Bloomberg Code:]	[]	[]% [see below]
[] [Bloomberg Code:]	[]	[]% [see below]
Best Performing Index:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Cash Amount:	[]	
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Entitlement:	[]	
Exchange:	[Stuttgart Stock Exchange (EUWAX)] [Swiss Stock Exchange] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Exercise Date:	[The third Business Day preceding the Scheduled Valuation Date as provided in Product Condition 3] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Exercise Time:	[10.00 am local time in Frankfurt am Main, Germany] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Index Closing Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Initial Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Initial Reference Price:	[EUR 100] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[]	
Issue Date -1:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[One calendar year] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Number of Units:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>	

Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Re-weighting Day – 1: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Re-weighting Day – 2: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Re-weighting Day:	[The first Trading Day of each year commencing [year]] [specify other]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and, in the event that there is more than one Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date in relation to the Basket, the Settlement Date shall be the [fifth] Business Day following the last Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [specify other]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing from and including March [year]] [specify other]
Weight:	[As specified in the definition of Basket][specify other]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:

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ISIN: []
Common Code: []
Fondscod: []
WKN: []
Valoren: []
Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction:

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained: []

Index disclaimer(s): []

Series: *[[ABN AMRO Index Basket]] Open End Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

SINGLE STOCK OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series:	[Share] Open End Certificates Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Cash Amount:	[Final Reference Price x Entitlement] [specify other]
Dividend Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Date:	[The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3] [specify other]
Exercise Time:	[10.00 am Central European Time] [specify other]
Fee:	[[] per cent. per annum]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[The first Business Day following [the [one year] period from and including] the Issue Date] [specify other]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[One calendar year] [specify other]
Pricing Date(s):	[]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [specify other]
Share:	[](Bloomberg Code: [])
Share Company:	[] ISIN: []
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Underlying Currency:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of [March] in each year, commencing from and including [March] [year]] [specify other]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or

Product Conditions:

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Series:

[Share] Open End Certificates Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

MULTI-ASSET BASKET OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series: *Multi-Asset Basket Open End Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] [specify]

Basket:

“Basket Constituent”	“Share Company”	“Exchange”	“Weight”	“Underlying Currency”
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[specify each Commodity and Bloomberg/Reuters Code]	[]	[]	[]%	[]
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[specify each
Commodity and
Bloomberg/Reuters
Code]

(“Commodity”)

[the [ordinary] shares
of the Share Company
(ISDN:) (Bloomberg
Code)]

(“Share”)

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Cash Amount: [Final Reference Price x Entitlement] [*specify other*]

Commodity [] [See Basket]

Constituent Closing Price: []

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in the Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Entitlement: []

Exchange: [See Basket] [*specify other*]

Exercise Date: [The third Business Day preceding the Scheduled Valuation
Date as provided in Product Condition 3] [*specify other*]

Exercise Time: [10.00 am Central European Time] [*specify other*]

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Initial Reference Price: [EUR 100] [*specify other*]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [One calendar year] [*specify other*]

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:

Issue Date – 1: [5, or in respect of an Emerging
Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging
Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Re-weighting Day – 1: [5, or in respect of an Emerging
Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Re-weighting Day: [The first Trading Day of each year commencing [year] [specify other]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and, in the event that there is more than one Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date in relation to the Basket, the Settlement Date shall be the [fifth] Business Day following the last Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, as the case may be] [specify other]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Valuation Date(s): [The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing from and including March [year]] [specify other]

Valuation Time: [The time of the London [morning] [daily] [afternoon] fixing price for the Commodity] [specify other]

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Series: [Commodity Basket] Open End Certificates Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

SPREAD OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series:	[] (Long Reference Asset) vs [] (Short Reference Asset) Spread Open End Certificates Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Fund Event:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Absolute Notional Position:	[[] and thereafter as stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Calculation Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]
Cash Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[Specify other Cash Amount or formula for Cash Amount]</i>
Certificate Value:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Daily Cash Amount:	[insert Cert Amount as of Launch Date][and thereafter as stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Day Count Fraction:	[The number of calendar days from (but excluding) the previous Trading Day to (and including) the current Trading Day divided by 360]
Dividends:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[] [Not Applicable]
Exercise Date:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[one Business Day] <i>[specify other]</i>
Leverage:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Certificate Fee:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Certificate Fee Level:	[]%
Maximum Leverage:	[]
Minimum Certificate Value:	[]
Rate:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Reference Asset Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Reference Asset Spread Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
 Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Reference Asset Price: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Reset Dates: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]
 Settlement Currency: []
 Spread:

Reference Asset:	[Reference Asset Company:]	Reference Asset Currency:	[Initial Reference Asset Price:]	[Exchange:]	[Initial Exchange Rate:]	[Weighting:]
[Ordinary shares of the Reference Asset Company] [specify other] (Reuters page: [], Bloomberg Code: []) (“Long Reference Asset”) (“[Commodity][Fund] [Fund Reference Asset] Share][Index]”)	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
[Ordinary shares of the Reference Asset Company] [specify other] (Reuters page: [], Bloomberg Code: []) (“Short Reference Asset”) (“[Commodity][Fund] [Fund Reference Asset] Share][Index]”)	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]

Spread Index Agent: []
 Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]
 Stop Loss Event: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]
 Stop Loss Price: []
 Valuation Date(s): [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]
 Valuation Time: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]
 Weighting: [As stated in Product Condition 1][As specified in the definition of Spread][*specify other*]
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Series: [] (*Long Reference Asset*) vs [] (*Short Reference Asset*) *Spread Open End Certificates Series* []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

QUANTO SPREAD OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series:	[] (Long Reference Asset) vs [] (Short Reference Asset) <i>Quanto Spread Open End Certificates Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Fund Event:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Absolute Notional Position:	[[] and thereafter as stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Calculation Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]
Cash Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [Specify other Cash Amount or formula for Cash Amount]
Certificate Value:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Daily Cash Amount:	[insert Cert Amount as of Launch Date][and thereafter as stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Day Count Fraction:	[The number of calendar days from (but excluding) the previous Trading Day to (and including) the current Trading Day divided by 360]
Dividends:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[] [Not Applicable]
Exercise Date:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[]
Leverage:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Certificate Fee:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Certificate Fee	[]%

Level:

Maximum []

Leverage:

Minimum []

Certificate Value:

Rate: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Reference Asset Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Reference Asset Spread Level: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:

Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Reference Asset Price: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Reset Dates: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Settlement Currency: []

Spread:

Reference Asset:	[Referen ce Asset Company :]	Referen ce Asset Currenc y:	[Initial Referen ce Asset Price]:	[Exchang e:]	Initial Quanto Mainte nance Fee Level:	[Weightin g:]
[Ordinary shares of the Reference Asset Company] [specify other] (Reuters page: [], Bloomberg Code: []) (“Long Reference Asset”) (“[Commodity] [Fund] [Fund Reference Asset] Share] [Index]”)	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
[Ordinary shares of the Reference Asset Company] [specify other] (Reuters page: [], Bloomberg Code: []) (“Short Reference Asset”) (“[Commodity] [Fund] [Fund Reference Asset] Share][Index]”)	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]

Spread Index Agent: []

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Stop Loss Event: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Stop Loss Price: []

Valuation Date(s): [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Valuation Time: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Weighting: [As stated in Product Condition 1][As specified in the definition of Spread][specify other]

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[*repeat as above for each new Series*]

QUANTO SPREAD OPEN END CERTIFICATES II

Series: [] (Long Reference Asset) vs [] (Short Reference Asset) *Quanto Spread Open End Certificates II Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Fund Event: [None] *[specify]*

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Absolute Notional Position: [[] and thereafter as stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Calculation Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Cash Amount: [As stated in Product Condition 1]
[Specify other Cash Amount or formula for Cash Amount]

Certificate Value: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Daily Cash Amount: [insert initial daily cash amount][and thereafter as stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Day Count Fraction: [The number of calendar days from (but excluding) the immediately preceding Trading Day to (and including) the current Trading Day, divided by 360]

Dividends: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: [] [Not Applicable]

Exercise Date: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Notice Period: []

Leverage: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Certificate Fee: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Certificate Fee Level: []%

Maximum Leverage: []

Minimum Certificate Value: []

Quanto Maintenance Fee: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Rate: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Rebalancing Day: [The [6th] calendar day of each [February, May, August and November] or if such day is not a Trading Day the next succeeding Trading Day] [*specify other*]

Rebalancing Day - 1: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Reference Asset Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]
 [Means in respect of an Index (1) the current level of such Index or (2) if on a Rebalancing Day - 1, Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date any of the Index Shares close limit up or limit down on such date on the relevant Exchange at the Valuation Time, the official closing level of the Index for such date will be adjusted to reflect the first succeeding non-limit closing price of the relevant Index Shares instead of the limit up or limit down closing price on the relevant date, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if in the determination of the Calculation Agent no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Reference Asset at such time having regard to the then prevailing market conditions the last reported trading price of the Index Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant]

Reference Asset Spread Level: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
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 Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Rebalancing Day - 1: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Reset Dates: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Settlement Currency: []

Spread:

Reference Asset: [Reference Asset Company:] [Reference Asset Currency:] [Initial Reference Asset Price:] [Exchange:] [Initial Quanto Maintenance Fee Level:] [Weighting:]

[Ordinary shares of the Reference Asset Company] [] [] [] [] []
 [specify other] (Reuters page: [], Bloomberg Code: [])

(“Long Reference Asset”
 (“[Commodity] [Fund]
 [Fund Reference Asset]
 [Share] [Index]”)

[Ordinary shares of the Reference Asset Company] [] [] [] [] [] []
 [specify other] (Reuters page: [], Bloomberg Code: [])

(“Short Reference Asset”
 (“[Commodity] [Fund]
 [Fund Reference Asset]
 Share][Index]”)

Spread Index Agent:

[]

Standard Currency:

[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Stop Loss Event:

[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Stop Loss Price:

[An amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$-0.6 \times CV(r-1)$$

Where:

CV(r-1) = Rebalancing Certificate Value]

[specify other]

Valuation Date(s):

[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Valuation Time:

[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]

Weighting:

[As stated in Product Condition 1][As specified in the definition of Spread][specify other]

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Series: [] (*Long Reference Asset*) vs [] (*Short Reference Asset*) *Quanto Spread Open End Certificates II Series* []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

COMMODITY FUTURES AND COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS

OPEN END CERTIFICATES II

Series: *[Commodity] Open End Certificates Series []*

Issue Date: []

Issue Price: [] on the Issue Date]

Entitlement: []

Exchange: []

Reference Asset: [] on the Issue Date]

Settlement Currency: []

Underlying Currency: []

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COMMODITY FUTURES AND COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS

OPEN END QUANTO CERTIFICATES II

Series: [Commodity] Open End Certificates Series []

Issue Date: []

Issue Price: []

Entitlement: []

Exchange: []

Initial Futures Quanto Maintenance Fee Level [on the LaunchDate]

Launch Date: []

Reference Asset: [on the LaunchDate]

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ROLLING COVERED CALL OPEN END CERTIFICATES

Series: *Rolling Covered Call Open End Certificates Series []*
 Issue Price: []
 Additional Market Disruption Events: [Not Applicable] *[specify]*
 Basket:

Index	Index Sponsor	Weight	Call Options Exchange	Index Currency
<i>[specify]</i> (“Index A”)	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>
<i>[specify]</i> (“Index B”)	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>
<i>[specify]</i> (“Index C”)	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>
<i>[specify]</i> (“Index D”)	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>

[Note: add or remove the number of indices as applicable. The defined terms "Index A", "Index B", etc. are intended to be used for the purposes of the following provisions: "Initial Set-up Date", "Notional Investment" and "Re-weighting" below]

Business Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: [Final Reference Price x Entitlement] *[specify other]*

Certificate Value: (i) [As of the Launch Date, the Certificate Value (“CV”) will be equal to [] (“**Initial Certificate Value**”)]
 (ii) Otherwise the Certificate Value will be calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$CV_t = CV_{t-1} \times (SV_t / SV_{t-1})$$

Where:

CV_{t-1} = Certificate Value on the previous Business Day;

SV_t = Strategy Value on Business Day t; and

SV_{t-1} = Strategy Value on the previous Business Day]

[specify other]

Coupon: [Applicable. [Each Certificate will pay a coupon of [] per cent. per annum of the Certificate Value on each Coupon Payment Date and will be calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Coupon} = []\% \times CV^{t-1}$$

Where:

CV^{t-1} is the Certificate Value on the Business Day prior to the Coupon Observation Date at the Coupon Observation Time.]]

[specify other]

[Not Applicable]

Coupon Observation Dates: [[], commencing []] [Not Applicable]

Coupon Observation Time: [The time at which the Index Sponsor relating to *[specify]*

	<i>Index</i>] calculates the official closing price of [<i>specify Index</i>] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]
Coupon Payment Dates:	[Five Business Days following a Coupon Observation Date] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [<i>specify other</i>]
Entitlement:	[]
Ex Coupon Date:	[Two Business Days after the relevant Coupon Observation Date] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]
Exercise Date:	[The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date] [<i>specify other</i>]
Exercise Time:	[5.00 p.m. Central European Time] [<i>specify other</i>]
Final Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [<i>specify other</i>]
Initial Rolling Option Strike:	[The initial rolling option strike in relation to each Index shall be determined at the Valuation Time on one Business Day prior to the Launch Date in accordance with the formula set out under "Next Rolling Option Strike"] [<i>specify other</i>]
Initial Updated Rolling Weight:	[In relation to each Index, at the Rolling Time on Initial Set Up Date (as defined below), the Initial Updated Rolling Weight will be calculated in accordance with the following formula: $W_i^0 = \frac{NI_i * FX_i^0}{(S_i^0 - D_i^0 - C_i^0)}$ S_i^0 = Level in relation to each Index on Initial Set Up Date D_i^0 = Expected Dividends in relation to each Index on Initial Set Up Date C_i^0 = value of the Current Rolling Option in relation to each Index on Initial Set Up Date FX_i^0 =The Index Exchange Rate on Initial Set Up Date NI_i = the Notional Investment (defined below) allocated to each Index on Initial Set Up Date] [<i>specify other</i>]
Initial Set-up Date:	[In relation to each Index: Index A – [<i>specify date</i>] Index B – [<i>specify date</i>] Index C – [<i>specify date</i>] Index D – [<i>specify date</i>] [<i>Note: the definitions of "Index A", "Index B", etc are set out</i>

under "Basket" above. Adjust number of indices as applicable.]]

[specify other]

Interim Settlement Amount: [Applicable. *[insert Interim Settlement Amount]* [Not Applicable]

Interim Settlement Amount Payment Dates: [Five Business Days following an Interim Settlement Observation Date] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Interim Settlement Observation Dates: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [First Business Day following the three month period from and including the Issue Date and at any time thereafter] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [One month] *[specify other]*

Certificate Fee: [The Certificate Fee ("CF") will accrue on a monthly basis and will be calculated by the Calculation Agent on the basis of the relevant Certificate Value. The CF will be deducted from the Certificate Value on the Certificate Fee Calculation Date immediately following the Certificate Fee Calculation Time without undue delay by an amount equal to:

$$CF = Fee \times CV \times DC_{Ft-1,t}$$

Where:

Fee = []% per annum;

$DC_{Ft-1,t}$ = day count fraction between (i-1) and i Rolling Dates; and

CV = Certificate Value at the Valuation Time on a Certificate Fee Calculation Date]

[specify other]

Next Rolling Option: [In relation to each Index, the market bid price of the Index call option which is determined on a Rolling Date immediately following the Rolling Time on a best efforts basis as the exchange traded Index call option with a strike nearest to the Next Rolling Option Strike (as defined below), at the Rolling Time and a duration which is closest to one month. [This is except for *[specify name of Index]* and *[specify name of Index]* which shall be rolled over on a Rolling Date at a time to be decided at the reasonable discretion of the Calculation Agent].] *[specify other]*

Next Rolling Option Strike: [The Next Rolling Option Strike ("NROSi") will be calculated in relation to each Index one Business Day prior to the Rolling Date ("**Index Valuation Date**") at the Valuation Time based on the level of the Index relative to its 40 and 200 day moving averages on such day as follows:

(i) If $S_i > 40DMA_i$ and $S_i > 200DMA_i$ then $NROSi = S_i \times 1.03$

(ii) If $S_i < 40DMA_i$ and $S_i < 200DMA_i$ then $NROSi = S_i \times 0.97$

(iii) Otherwise $NROS_i = S_i$

Where:

S_i = Level in relation to each Index

40DMA_i = 40 day moving average of the Index

200DMA_i = 200 day moving average of the Index]

[specify other]

Notional Investment:

[For each Index, the following amount in cash shall be allocated:

(i) Index A

[specify amount/calculation]

(ii) Index B

[specify amount/calculation]

(iii) Index C

[specify amount/calculation]

(iv) Index D

[specify amount/calculation]

Prior to the Initial Set Up Date, the Notional Investment allocated to each Index shall be in cash.]

[Note: the definitions of "Index A", "Index B", etc are set out under "Basket" above. Adjust number of indices as applicable.]]

[specify other]

Relevant Currency:

[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Re-weighting:

[Applicable. [On a [specify period] basis, the Basket will be re-weighted to the Re-Weighting levels as described below.

For each Index, the following re-weighting levels (the "Re-Weighting Levels" or "RLi") will apply:

<u>Index</u>	<u>Re-Weighting Levels ("RLi")</u>
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Index A	[specify]%
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Index B	[specify]%
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Index C	[specify]%
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Index D	[specify]%]
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[Note: the definitions of "Index A", "Index B", etc are set out under "Basket" above. Adjust number of indices as applicable.]]

[specify other]

[Not Applicable]

Relevant Number of Trading Days:

For the purposes of:

Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging

Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date:[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The [fifth] Business Day following the relevant or, if more than one, final Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be]

[specify other]

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Strategy: [The Index Basket (“**Basket**”) Rolling Covered Call Strategy (the “**Strategy**”) will be calculated by the Calculation Agent.

The Strategy comprises of (i) a long position in the Basket (taking Expected Dividends into account and Weight) and (ii) a short position in the Current Rolling Option for each Index which will be rolled over on a Rolling Date immediately following the Rolling Time, on a best efforts basis without undue delay[, except for [specify Index] and [specify Index] which shall be rolled over on a Rolling Date at a time to be decided in the reasonable discretion of the Calculation Agent].]

[specify other]

Strategy Components: [The Strategy will be comprised of the following two components:

a) **Basket**

A long position in the Basket (taking Expected Dividends into account and Weight)

b) **“Current Rolling Option”**

In relation to each Index, a call option linked to the Index with a maturity of one month and listed on the Call Options Exchange. The Current Rolling Option is rolled over on the maturity date for the Current Rolling Option on the Call Options Exchange (“**Rolling Date**”) immediately following the period during which the Call Options Exchange calculates the official settlement price for the Current Rolling Option (“**Rolling Time**”) without undue delay to the Next Rolling Option (as defined below). [This is except for [specify Index] and [specify Index] which shall be rolled over on a Rolling Date to be decided at the reasonable discretion of the Calculation Agent, as specified herein].]

[specify other]

Strategy Value: [The Strategy Value (“**SV**”) will be calculated on the basis of

the current weightings and values of the respective components according to the current strategy composition in accordance with the following formula:

$$SV = \sum_{i=1}^4 (W_i * (S_i - D_i - C_i) / FX_i)$$

Where:

Si = Level in relation to each Index;

Wi = Updated Rolling Weight in relation to each Index (as defined below);

Di = Expected Dividends in relation to each Index;

Ci = The value of the Current Rolling Option in relation to each Index; and

FXi = The Index Exchange Rate.]

[specify other]

Underlying Currency:

[]

Updated Rolling Weight:

[The Updated Rolling Weight “ W_i^t ” will be calculated on [Note: use the following language where Interim Settlement is contemplated][an Interim Settlement Observation Date at the Valuation Time in accordance with the following formula:

$$W_i^t = W_i^{t-1} * \left(1 - \frac{\text{InterimSettlementAmount}}{CV^{t-1}} \right); \text{ or}$$

[Note: use the following language where a Coupon is contemplated][a Coupon Observation Date at the Coupon Observation Time in accordance with the following formula:

$$W_i^t = \left(\frac{RL_i (CV^t - \text{Coupon}) * FX_i^t}{(S_i^t - D_i^t - C_i^t)} \right); \text{ or}$$

The Certificate will go ex-coupon at the Ex-Coupon Date.]

On a Rolling Date at the Rolling Time in accordance with the

$$\text{following formula: } W_i^t = W_i^{t-1} * \frac{(S_i - C_i^{t-1})}{(S_i - D_i^t - C_i^t)}; \text{ or}$$

On a Certificate Fee calculation date (the last Business Day of each month), (“**Certificate Fee Calculation Date**”) at the Certificate Fee Calculation Time:

$$W_i^t = W_i^{t-1} * \left(1 - \frac{CF}{CV^{t-1}} \right)$$

Where:

S_i^t = Level in relation to each Index;

CV^{t-1} = Certificate Value prior to Valuation Time or Rolling Time as the case may be;

D_i^t = Expected Dividends in relation to each Index;

C_i^{t-1} = value of the Current Rolling Option in relation to each Index;

C_i^t = value of the Next Rolling Option in relation to each Index;

W_i^{t-1} = previous Updated Rolling Weight in relation to each Index;

W_i^0 = Initial Updated Rolling Weight in relation to each Index; and

CF = Certificate Fee.]

“**Certificate Fee Calculation Time**” means [the time at which the Sponsor relating to [specify index] calculates the official closing price of [specify index]]

[specify other]

Valuation Date(s):

[The last Business Day of [] in each year, commencing from and including [] [specify other]

Valuation Time:

[Close of trading of the Exchange] [specify other]

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ROLLING MINI SHORT OPEN END CERTIFICATES ON AN INDEX

Series:	[Index] Rolling Mini Short Open End Certificates Series []
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Cash Amount:	[(a) Upon Exercise: (Current Financing Level - Final Reference Price) x Current Participation Factor (the “ Exercise Cash Amount ”); or (b) Upon an Issuer Call: (Current Financing Level - Termination Reference Price) x Current Participation Factor (the “ Issuer Call Cash Amount ”); or (c) Following a Knock Out Event: (Current Financing Level – Execution Level) x Current Participation Factor (the “ Knock Out Cash Amount ”),] [specify other]
Current Financing Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Current Leverage Factor:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Current Participation Factor:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Current Spread:	[]%
Emerging Market Disruption Events	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Exercise Date:	[The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date as provided in Product Condition 3] [specify other]
Exercise Time:	[5.00 p.m. (local time in Frankfurt am Main, Germany)][10.00am local time in Frankfurt am Main, Germany] [specify other]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Financing Level Currency:	[]
Index	[][Bloomberg Code]
Initial Current Financing Level:	[]
Initial Current Participation Factor:	[]
Interim Settlement Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Interim Settlement Event:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Interim Settlement Factor:	[]
Issue Price:	[]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[One calendar year] [specify other]
Knock Out Event:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Knock Out Level:	[]

Lower Leverage Limit:	[]
Maximum Execution Valuation Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Maximum Spread:	[]%
Prevailing Rate:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Re-Financing Event:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Reset Date:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Security Value:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[the fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date, the Knock Out Event, Issuer Call Date or Interim Settlement Event, as the case may be]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Level:	[95% multiplied by the immediately preceding Reference Price]
Target Leverage Factor:	[]
Upper Leverage Limit:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing from and including March [<i>year</i>]] [<i>specify other</i>]
Valuation Time:	[the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index]

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MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

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RESPONSIBILITY

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in the Base Prospectus, as completed and/or amended by these Final Terms. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

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The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.
(incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam)



BASE PROSPECTUS RELATING TO

WARRANTS

THE ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND N.V.

LAUNCHPAD PROGRAMME

DATED: 18 OCTOBER 2010

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED IN THIS BASE PROSPECTUS (THE "SECURITIES") SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEY UNDERSTAND FULLY THE NATURE OF THE SECURITIES AND THE EXTENT OF THEIR EXPOSURE TO THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SECURITIES. THE MARKET PRICE AND / OR VALUE OF THE SECURITIES MAY BE VOLATILE AND HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES MAY SUSTAIN A TOTAL LOSS IN THE VALUE OF THEIR INVESTMENT (UNLESS THE SECURITIES ARE OF A TYPE IN WHICH CAPITAL IS PROTECTED). PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS NEED TO CONSIDER THE SUITABILITY OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES IN LIGHT OF THEIR OWN FINANCIAL, FISCAL, REGULATORY AND OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES. PLEASE REFER, IN PARTICULAR, TO THE SECTIONS "RISK FACTORS" IN THIS BASE PROSPECTUS AND IN THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENT FOR A MORE COMPLETE EXPLANATION OF THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES, AND MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM, OR IN A TRANSACTION NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES DO NOT CONSTITUTE UNITS OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SWISS FEDERAL ACT ON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES ("CISA") AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF, OR SUPERVISION BY THE SWISS FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY ("FINMA"). HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES ARE EXPOSED TO THE CREDIT RISK OF THE ISSUER.

This Base Prospectus constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of Article 5.4 of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”).

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (the “**Issuer**”) accepts responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext for Securities to be admitted to trading and listed on NYSE Euronext in Amsterdam (“**Euronext Amsterdam**”) up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus. In addition, Securities may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on any other stock exchange or market specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities.

This Base Prospectus will be filed with the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd and application may be made to list the Securities under the Programme on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. In respect of Securities to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Programme, together with the Final Terms, will constitute the listing prospectus pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

References in this Programme to Securities being “**listed**” (and all related references) shall mean that such Securities will be admitted to trading and will be listed on Euronext Amsterdam or any other regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2004/39/EC (the “**Markets in Financial Instruments Directive**”).

The Issuer has not authorised the making or provision of any representation or information regarding the Issuer or any Securities. Neither the delivery of this document nor the delivery of any other documents of the LaunchPAD Programme nor any information provided in the course of a transaction in Securities shall, in any circumstances, be construed as a recommendation by the Issuer to enter into any transaction with respect to any Securities. Each prospective investor contemplating a purchase of Securities should make its own independent investigation of the risks associated with a transaction involving any Securities.

The delivery of this document does not at any time imply that there has been no change in the affairs of the Issuer since the date of this Base Prospectus. The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information.

The distribution of this document and the offering, sale and delivery of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this document comes are required by the Issuer to inform themselves about, and to observe, any such restrictions. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of

No person has been authorised to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Base Prospectus and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuer.

Where information has been sourced from a third party, the Issuer confirms that this information has been accurately reproduced and that as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

This Base Prospectus is to be read in conjunction with all documents that are deemed to be incorporated herein by reference and shall be read and construed on the basis that such documents are incorporated in and form part of the Base Prospectus.

The Issuer does not represent that this document may be lawfully distributed, or that Securities may be lawfully offered, in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any jurisdiction, or pursuant to an exemption available thereunder, or assume any responsibility for facilitating any such distribution or offering. In particular, no action has been taken by the Issuer, which would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of this Prospectus or any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuer. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of this document and other offering material relating to the Securities please refer to the section "Selling Restrictions" in this Base Prospectus.

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SUMMARY

This summary must be read as an introduction to this Base Prospectus and any decision to invest in any Securities should be based on a consideration of this Base Prospectus as a whole, including the documents incorporated by reference. No civil liability attaches to the Issuer in respect of this Summary, including any translation thereof, unless it is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent when read together with the other parts of this Base Prospectus. Where a claim relating to information contained in this Base Prospectus is brought before a court in a Member State of the European Economic Area (an “EEA State”), the plaintiff may, under the national legislation of the EEA State where the claim is brought, be required to bear the costs of translating the Base Prospectus before the legal proceedings are initiated.

Words and expressions defined elsewhere in this Base Prospectus shall have the same meanings in this summary.

Issuer:

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Bank N.V.) (the “**Issuer**” or “**RBS N.V.**”) acting through its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4AA.

History and Incorporation:

The origin of RBS N.V. can be traced to the formation of “Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V.” in 1825 pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824. RBS N.V.’s articles of association were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. RBS N.V. is registered in the Commercial Register of Amsterdam under number 33002587. RBS N.V.’s registered office is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RBS Holdings N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Holding N.V.) (“**RBS Holdings**”), which is incorporated as a limited liability company under Dutch law by deed of 30 May 1990. The articles of association of RBS Holdings were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before

Mr. M.W. Galjaart, a deputy of Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. The registered office of RBS Holdings is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS Holdings owns 100 per cent. of RBS N.V.'s shares and is jointly and severally liable for all our liabilities in respect of the structured products pursuant to a declaration under Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code.

RBS Holdings and the Issuer form part of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group (referred to as the “**Group**”, “**RBS**” or “**RBS Group**”).

Overview:

The Issuer is a bank licensed by the Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*). RBS Group targets the highest possible credit rating for RBS N.V.

The Issuer operates on a significant scale across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), the Americas and Asia. At legal separation from the ABN AMRO group on 1 April 2010 (see the paragraph *Separation from the ABN AMRO group* below), RBS N.V. has a sizeable balance sheet, a significant staff presence and a broad set of products; provided by a sales force operating in approximately 40 countries (reducing over time following intended asset sales or exits of selected network countries). As at 31 December 2009, the RBS acquired businesses within RBS N.V. reported total consolidated assets of €275 billion and had more than 27,000 full time staff through a network of 264 offices and branches.

Headquartered in Edinburgh, the RBS Group operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and internationally through its two principal subsidiaries, RBS and Natwest. Both RBS and Natwest are major United Kingdom clearing banks whose origins go back over 275 years. In the United States, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc's subsidiary Citizens is a large commercial banking organization. RBS Group has a large and diversified

customer base and provides a wide range of products and services to personal, commercial and large corporate and institutional customers.

Group Organisational Structure:

RBS N.V. comprises the following core businesses:

- Global Banking & Markets: Global Lending, Equities, Short Term Markets & Funding and Local Markets;
- Global Transaction Services: Global Trade Finance, Transaction Banking and International Cash Management; and
- Risk & Restructuring: The Non-Core Division in Risk & Restructuring contains assets that are no longer core to RBS Group's strategic objectives and include Trading, Wholesale Banking and Retail & Commercial Business Units, as well as selected network countries. The assets will reduce over time through wind-down, sale or transfer.

These RBS N.V. businesses are part of global business units in the RBS Group that operate across multiple legal entities. The strategy of RBS N.V. is part of the overall businesses' strategies of the RBS Group.

Separation from the ABN AMRO Group:

On 17 October 2007 85.6 per cent. of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was acquired through RFS Holdings B.V. ("**RFS Holdings**"), a company incorporated by a consortium consisting of the RBS, Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV ("**Fortis**") and Banco Santander S.A. each a 'Consortium Member'.

On 3 October 2008 the State of the Netherlands ("**Dutch State**") acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

RBS and the Dutch State agreed that the Dutch State acquired businesses would be legally separated from the residual RBS acquired businesses into a new bank.

Legal demerger and legal separation process

On 30 September 2009 ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that a two-step approach would be taken to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – “**Legal Demerger**”: Transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (the “**Demerging Company**”) to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the “**Acquiring Company**”). Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company was to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The Acquiring Company, comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses, was to then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Legal Demerger and the consequent name changes were successfully effected on 6th February 2010.

Step 2 – “**Legal Separation**”: Transfer of the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Following the transfer of the shares in ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to a new holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was to be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.

The Legal Separation and the consequent name change were successfully effected on 1 April 2010.

Following Legal Separation, the Issuer’s activities continue to be subject to Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) and the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) supervision and on a consolidated basis as part of the RBS

Group subject to UK Financial Services Authority supervision. Due to the change in the operating model of RBS N.V. compared to pre-acquisition ABN AMRO Bank N.V. a licence renewal has been granted by the Dutch Central Bank on 3 February 2010.

Following Legal Separation a new managing board and supervisory board of RBS N.V. were appointed.

Risk Factors:

In the context of its business activities, the Issuer is subject to various risks that are typical of the banking industry. Should certain risks materialise, this may adversely affect the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of the Issuer and its subsidiaries and, consequently, the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of RBS Holdings and, hence, the capacity (i) of the Issuer to meet its liabilities under the Securities towards the holders of Securities (the “**Holder**”), and/or (ii) of RBS Holdings to meet its obligations under the guarantee. Factors which can adversely affect the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of the Issuer are *inter alia* (i) general economic conditions and other business conditions, (ii) competition, (iii) regulatory change and (iv) standard banking risks including changes in interest and foreign exchange rates and operational, credit, market, liquidity and legal risks.

In addition, there are certain factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with the Securities including (i) the value of the Securities may fluctuate based on the value of the Underlying, (ii) there may not be a secondary market in the Securities, (iii) holders of the Securities have no ownership interest in the Underlying and (iv) there may be limitations on a holder’s right to exercise the Securities or there may be delays in effecting settlement, see section *Risk Factors* in this Base Prospectus.

Guarantor:	RBS Holdings pursuant to its declaration under Article 2:403 of the Netherlands Civil Code.
Principal Agent and Calculation Agent:	RBS N.V. acting through its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4AA.
Listing and Admission to Trading:	Application will be made to NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market specified in the Final Terms for Securities to be admitted to trading and listed on NYSE Euronext in Amsterdam or any other stock exchange or market specified in the Final Terms up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities.
Description of the Securities:	<p>A range of warrants may be issued under this Base Prospectus. The terms and conditions (the “Conditions”) applicable to such warrants are contained in the general conditions (the “General Conditions”) which are applicable to all warrants, product conditions (the “Product Conditions”) applicable to the particular type of warrant being issued and the Final Terms (as defined in the Product Conditions) applicable to the particular Series (as defined in the Product Conditions) being issued.</p> <p>Warrants are investment instruments which, upon and subject to due exercise (including, in certain cases, payment of any strike price and expenses) in accordance with their Conditions, either pay an amount determined by reference to the value of the underlying currency, commodity, index and its constituent elements, stock, bond, basket or other product (together, the “Underlying”) on one or more specified days or deliver a defined amount of the Underlying, subject to the warrant entitlement. The types of warrants that may be issued under this Base Prospectus are described below.</p>
Cash Settled Warrants:	Cash settled warrants are warrants which, upon exercise, pay a cash amount determined by reference to the value of the Underlying on one or more specified days.

Physically Settled Warrants:	Physically settled warrants are warrants which, upon exercise, entitle the holder of the Warrants (the “ Holder ”) to delivery of a defined amount of the Underlying on one or more specified days against payment of the Strike Price (as defined below) and all applicable expenses as provided in the Product Conditions.
Call Warrants:	Call warrants are warrants which, upon exercise, entitle the Holder to payment of a cash amount or delivery of a defined amount of the Underlying, in each case determined by reference to the amount (if any) by which the value of the Underlying at exercise (the “ Final Reference Price ”) exceeds a pre-determined value of the Underlying (the “ Strike Price ”).
Put Warrants:	Put warrants are warrants which, upon exercise, entitle the Holder to payment of a cash amount or delivery of a defined amount of the Underlying, in each case determined by reference to the amount (if any) by which the Strike Price exceeds the Final Reference Price.
American Style Warrants:	American style warrants are warrants which may be exercised on any business day within the exercise period specified in the applicable Product Conditions and Final Terms (the “ Exercise Period ”).
European Style Warrants:	European style warrants are warrants which may only be exercised on a single day, being the Expiration Date.
Commodity Warrants:	Commodity warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a commodity. A range of commodities may become the Underlying in relation to a commodity warrant.
Commodity Forward or Futures Warrants:	Commodity forward or futures warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a forward or futures contract related to a commodity. A range of commodity forward or futures contracts may become the Underlying in relation to a commodity forward or futures warrant.
Currency Warrants:	Currency warrants are warrants where the Underlying is an exchange rate of two currencies. A range of currencies

may become the Underlying in relation to a currency warrant.

Fund Warrants:

Fund warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a fund. A range of funds may become the Underlying in relation to a fund warrant.

Government Bond Futures Warrants:

Government bond futures warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a futures contract related to a government bond. A range of government bond futures contracts may become the Underlying in relation to a government bond futures warrant.

Index Warrants:

Index warrants are warrants where the Underlying is an index. A range of indices may become the Underlying in relation to an index warrant.

Single Stock Warrants:

Single stock warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a share. A range of individual shares may become the Underlying in relation to a single stock warrant.

Basket Warrants:

Basket warrants are warrants linked to a basket of Underlyings. A range of Underlyings may constitute a basket.

Certificate Warrants:

Certificate Warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a certificate. A range of certificates may become the Underlying in relation to a Certificate Warrant.

Rate Warrants:

Rate Warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a rate. A range of rates may become the Underlying in relation to a Rate Warrant. A Rate Warrant may or may not bear interest.

Indicative Issue Price:

The Securities will be sold at a price determined by the Issuer who may, in making such determinations, refer to, amongst other factors, the level of the Underlying, the relevant warrant entitlement and any applicable foreign exchange rate(s).

Exercise Period: Each American style Security may be exercised on any business day within the Exercise Period. European style Securities may only be exercised on a single day, being the Expiration Date.

Interest: The Securities other than Rate Warrants do not bear interest.

General Conditions Set out below is a summary of certain significant provisions of the General Conditions applicable to all Securities issued under this Base Prospectus.

Status of the Securities: The Securities constitute unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.

Early Termination: The Issuer may terminate any Securities if it shall have determined in its absolute discretion that its performance thereunder shall have become unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance in good faith by the Issuer with any applicable law. In such circumstances the Issuer will, to the extent permitted by law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination (ignoring such illegality) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements.

Hedging Disruption: If a Hedging Disruption Event (as defined in General Condition 5) occurs, the Issuer will at its discretion (i) terminate the Securities and pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements or (ii) make a good faith adjustment to the relevant reference asset as described in General Condition 5(c) or (iii) make any other adjustment to the Conditions as it considers

appropriate in order to maintain the theoretical value of the Securities after adjusting for the relevant Hedging Disruption Event. The Issuer may make adjustments following any event likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's hedge position, subject to the conditions set out in General Condition 5(d).

Substitution:

The Issuer may at any time, without the consent of the Holders substitute for itself as Issuer of the Securities, RBS Plc or any entity other than RBS Plc subject to the conditions set out in General Condition 8. In certain cases, substitution may be required to be effected in accordance with the rules of one or more clearing systems specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Events of Default:

The terms of the Securities will contain the following events of default:

- (a) default in payment of any principal or interest due in respect of the Securities, continuing for a specified period of time;
- (b) non-performance or non-observance by the Issuer of any of its other obligations under the Securities continuing for a specified period of time; and
- (c) events relating to the winding up of the Issuer.

Taxation:

The Holder (and not the Issuer) shall be liable for and/or pay any tax, duty or charge in connection with the ownership of and/or any transfer, payment or delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Holder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable to any Holder such amount as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment.

Product Conditions:

Set out below is a summary of certain significant provisions of the Product Conditions applicable to the Securities to be issued under this Base Prospectus.

Form of Securities: Except in the case of Securities issued in dematerialised form, Securities will be issued in global form. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as Clearing Agent, Securities will, following their issuance, be transformed into intermediated securities in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act.

Exercise of Securities: Securities may be exercised on any Exercise Date (which, in the case of European Warrants, will be a single day). Any unexercised Securities may, if so specified in the applicable Product Conditions and Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically exercised if, on the last day for exercise thereof, the Final Reference Price is higher than the Strike Price (in the case of Call Warrants) or the Strike Price is higher than the Final Reference Price (in the case of Put Warrants). If not so specified, such Securities will become void. Notification of any automatic exercise will be made in the manner set out under “General Information”.

Settlement of Securities: Securities may be cash or physically settled, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Market Disruption Events: If a Market Disruption Event occurs Holders may experience a delay in settlement or delivery and the cash price paid on settlement and the value of the Underlying delivered may be adversely affected. Market Disruption Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security and vary depending on the type of Security.

Fund Event: If a Fund Event occurs, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, in each case acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, may adjust one or more of the Conditions to reflect the impact of the Fund Event. Fund Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable).

Emerging Market Disruption Events: The Emerging Market Disruption Events reflect the substantial risks associated with investing in emerging markets in addition to those risks normally associated with

making investments in other countries. Potential investors should note that the securities markets in emerging market jurisdictions are generally substantially smaller and at times have been more volatile and illiquid than the major securities markets in more developed countries. If an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurs Holders may experience a delay in settlement or delivery and the cash price paid on settlement may be adversely affected. Emerging Market Disruption Events are defined in Section 1 of the Product Conditions.

Settlement Disruption Event:

If a Settlement Disruption Event occurs in relation to a physically settled Security, the Holder may experience a delay in delivery of the Underlying and, where a cash price equivalent to the value of the Underlying is paid in lieu of delivery of the Underlying, the cash price paid may be adversely affected. Settlement Disruption Events are defined in the Product Conditions for Securities which may be physically settled and vary depending on the type of Security.

Potential Adjustment Event:

If a Potential Adjustment Event occurs the Calculation Agent may adjust one or more of the Conditions to account for the diluting or concentrative effect of the Potential Adjustment Event. Potential Adjustment Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable) and vary depending on the type of Security.

De-listing:

If a De-listing occurs the Calculation Agent may adjust one or more of the Conditions, including replacing the relevant Underlying, to account for such event. De-listing is defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable).

Governing Law:

English law.

English courts:

The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or in connection with the Securities.

Final Terms:

Each Series will be the subject of a Final Terms which will contain the final terms applicable to the Series. The form of the Final Terms applicable to each type of Security is set out in this Base Prospectus.

The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

RISK FACTORS

The Issuer believes that the following factors may affect its ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued. Most of these factors are contingencies which may or may not occur and the Issuer is not in a position to express a view on the likelihood of any such contingency occurring.

In addition, factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Securities issued are also described below.

The Issuer believes that the factors described below represent the principal risks inherent in investing in Securities issued, but the inability of the Issuer to pay any amounts on or in connection with any Securities, or to perform any delivery obligations in relation to the Securities, may occur for other reasons and the Issuer does not represent that the statements below regarding the risks of holding any Securities are exhaustive. Prospective investors should also read the detailed information set out elsewhere in this Base Prospectus and reach their own views prior to making any investment decision.

Before making an investment decision with respect to any Securities, prospective investors should consult their own stockbroker, bank manager, lawyer, accountant or other financial, legal and tax advisers and carefully review the risks entailed by an investment in the Securities and consider such an investment decision in the light of the prospective investor's personal circumstances.

Words and expressions defined elsewhere in this Base Prospectus shall have the same meaning in this section.

Factors that may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued

Each potential investor in the Securities should refer to the Risk Factors section of the Issuer's registration document dated 1 July 2010 (the "**Registration Document**") incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus for a description of those factors which may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued.

Factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Securities issued

The Securities are warrants which entail particular risks

Warrants are investment instruments which, upon and subject to due exercise (including payment of any strike price) either pay a cash amount determined by reference to the level of the Underlying or deliver a defined amount of the Underlying, subject to the warrant entitlement. Investors in American

style warrants should be aware that their entire investment may be lost in the event that during the Exercise Period either the Final Reference Price does not exceed the Strike Price (in the case of a Call Warrant) or the Strike Price does not exceed the Final Reference Price (in the case of a Put Warrant). Investors in European style warrants should be aware that their entire investment may be lost in the event that on the Exercise Date either the Final Reference Price does not exceed the Strike Price (in the case of a Call Warrant) or the Strike Price does not exceed the Final Reference Price (in the case of a Put Warrant). Since the Exercise Period of warrants is limited, unlike direct investments, investors are not able to hold warrants beyond the end of the Exercise Period in the expectation of a recovery in the price of the Underlying.

The price at which a Holder will be able to sell warrants prior to maturity or expiration may be at a potentially substantial discount to the market value of the warrants at the issue date, if, at such time and in addition to any other factors, the value of the Underlying is below, equal to or not sufficiently above (as the case may be) the Strike Price.

The Securities may not be a suitable investment for all investors

Each potential investor in the Securities must determine the suitability of that investment in light of its own circumstances. In particular, each potential investor should:

- (a) have sufficient knowledge and experience to make a meaningful evaluation of the Securities, the merits and risks of investing in the Securities and the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus or any applicable Final Terms;
- (b) have access to, and knowledge of, appropriate analytical tools to evaluate, in the context of its particular financial situation, an investment in the Securities and the impact the Securities will have on its overall investment portfolio;
- (c) have sufficient financial resources and liquidity to bear all of the risks of an investment in the Securities;
- (d) understand thoroughly the terms of the Securities and be familiar with the behaviour of any relevant indices and financial markets; and
- (e) be able to evaluate (either alone or with the help of a financial adviser) possible scenarios for economic, interest rate and other factors that may affect its investment and its ability to bear the applicable risks.

Some Securities are complex financial instruments. Sophisticated institutional investors generally do not purchase complex financial instruments as stand-alone investments. They purchase complex financial instruments as a way to reduce risk or enhance yield with an understood, measured, appropriate addition of risk to their overall portfolios. A potential investor should not invest in Securities which are complex financial instruments unless it has the expertise (either alone or with a

financial adviser) to evaluate how the Securities will perform under changing conditions, the resulting effects on the value of the Securities and the impact this investment will have on the potential investor's overall investment portfolio.

The value of the Securities may fluctuate

The value of the Securities may move up and down between their date of purchase and their exercise date. Holders may sustain a total loss of their investment. Prospective purchasers should therefore ensure that they understand fully the nature of the Securities before they invest in the Securities.

Several factors, many of which are beyond the Issuer's control, will influence the value of the Securities at any time, including the following:

- (a) *Valuation of the Underlying.* The market price of the Securities at any time is expected to be affected primarily by changes in the level of the Underlying to which such Securities are linked. It is impossible to predict how the level of the relevant Underlying will vary over time. Factors which may have an effect on the value of the Underlying include the rate of return of the Underlying and the financial position and prospects of the issuer of the Underlying or any component thereof. In addition, the level of the Underlying may depend on a number of interrelated factors, including economic, financial and political events and their effect on the capital markets generally and relevant stock exchanges. Potential investors should also note that whilst the market value of the Securities is linked to the relevant Underlying and will be influenced (positively or negatively) by it, any change may not be comparable and may be disproportionate. It is possible that while the Underlying is increasing in value, the value of the Securities may fall. Further, where no market value is available for an Underlying, the Calculation Agent may determine its value to be zero notwithstanding the fact that there may be no Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) and/or no Potential Adjustment Events and/or no De-listing and/or no Fund Event which apply.
- (b) *Interest Rates.* Investments in the Securities may involve interest rate risk with respect to the currency of denomination of the Underlying and/or the Securities. A variety of factors influence interest rates such as macro economic, governmental, speculative and market sentiment factors. Such fluctuations may have an impact on the value of the Securities at any time prior to valuation of the Underlying relating to the Securities.
- (c) *Volatility.* The term "volatility" refers to the actual and anticipated frequency and magnitude of changes of the market price with respect to an Underlying. Volatility is affected by a number of factors such as macro economic factors, speculative trading and supply and demand in the options, futures and other derivatives markets. Volatility of an Underlying will

move up and down over time (sometimes more sharply than others) and different Underlyings will most likely have separate volatilities at any particular time.

- (d) *Exchange Rates.* Even where payments in respect of the Securities are not expressly linked to a rate or rates of exchange between currencies, the value of the Securities could, in certain circumstances, be affected by such factors as fluctuations in the rates of exchange between any currency in which any payment in respect of the Securities is to be made and any currency in which the Underlying is traded, appreciation or depreciation of any such currencies and any existing or future governmental or other restrictions on the exchangeability of such currencies. There can be no assurance that rates of exchange between any relevant currencies which are current rates at the date of issue of any Securities will be representative of the relevant rates of exchange used in computing the value of the relevant Securities at any time thereafter.
- (e) *Disruption.* If so indicated in the Conditions, the Calculation Agent may determine that a Market Disruption Event (which includes Emerging Market Disruption Events), Fund Event, Potential Adjustment Event and/or De-listing has occurred or exists at a relevant time. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in respect of the Securities. In addition, if so indicated in the Conditions, a Calculation Agent may determine that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred or exists at any relevant time in relation to a physically settled warrant. Any such determination may cause a delay in delivery of the Underlying and, where a cash price equivalent to the value of the Underlying is paid in lieu of delivery of the Underlying, the cash price paid may be adversely affected.
- (f) Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.
- (g) *Creditworthiness.* Any person who purchases the Securities is relying upon the creditworthiness of the Issuer and of RBS Holdings (pursuant to its declaration under Article 2:403 of the Netherlands Civil Code) and has no rights against any other person. The Securities constitute general, unsecured, contractual obligations of the Issuer and of no other person. The Securities rank *pari passu* among themselves.

There may not be a secondary market in the Securities

Potential investors should be willing to hold the Securities through their life. The nature and extent of any secondary market in the Securities cannot be predicted. As a consequence any person intending to hold the Securities should consider liquidity in the Securities as a risk. If the Securities are listed or quoted on an exchange or quotation system this does not imply greater or lesser liquidity than if equivalent Securities were not so listed or quoted. However, if Securities are not listed or quoted there may be a lack of transparency with regard to pricing information. Liquidity may also be

affected by legal restrictions on offers for sale in certain jurisdictions. The Issuer may affect the liquidity of the Securities by purchasing and holding the Securities for its own account during trading in the secondary market. Any such Securities may be resold at any time into the market.

The Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion, decide to offer a secondary market in the Securities. In the event that the Issuer elects to offer such secondary market, the Issuer shall be entitled to impose such conditions as it, in its sole and absolute discretion, shall deem fit, including but not limited to:

- (a) providing a large bid/offer spread determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion by reference to the Issuer's own appreciation of the risks involved in providing such secondary market;
- (b) normal market conditions prevailing at such date; and
- (c) limiting the number of Securities in respect of which it is prepared to offer such secondary market.

Holders should note that the imposition of any of the above conditions may severely limit the availability of any such secondary market and may result in Holders receiving significantly less than they otherwise would have received if the Securities were redeemed at maturity.

As part of its issuing, market-making and/or trading arrangements, the Issuer may issue more Securities than those which are to be subscribed or purchased by third party investors. The Issuer (or any of its affiliates) may hold such Securities for the purpose of meeting any investor interest in the future. Prospective investors in the Securities should therefore not regard the issue size of any Series as indicative of the depth or liquidity of the market for such Series, or of the demand for such Series.

In the event that such a secondary market does not develop, it is unlikely that an investor in the Securities will be able to sell his Securities or at prices that will provide him with a yield comparable to similar investments that have a developed secondary market.

Purchasing the Securities as a hedge may not be effective

Any person intending to use the Securities as a hedge instrument should recognise the correlation risk. The Securities may not be a perfect hedge to an Underlying or portfolio of which the Underlying forms a part. In addition, it may not be possible to liquidate the Securities at a level which directly reflects the price of the Underlying or portfolio of which the Underlying forms a part.

Actions taken by the Issuer may affect the value of the Securities

The Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may carry out activities that minimise its and/or their risks related to the Securities, including effecting transactions for their own account or for the account of their customers and hold long or short positions in the Underlying whether for risk reduction purposes

or otherwise. In addition, in connection with the offering of any Securities, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may enter into one or more hedging transactions with respect to the Underlying. In connection with such hedging or market-making activities or with respect to proprietary or other trading activities by the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may enter into transactions in the Underlying which may affect the market price, liquidity or value of the Underlying and/or the Securities and which could be deemed to be adverse to the interests of the Holders. The Issuer and/or its affiliates are likely to modify their hedging positions throughout the life of the Securities whether by effecting transactions in the Underlying or in derivatives linked to the Underlying. Further, it is possible that the advisory services which the Issuer and/or its affiliates provide in the ordinary course of its/their business could lead to an adverse impact on the value of the Underlying.

The Issuer may also make adjustments to the Conditions if it determines that an event has occurred which, whilst not a Hedging Disruption Event or other disruption event is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's Hedge Position. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in respect of the Securities.

Holders have no ownership interest in the Underlying

The Securities convey no interest in the Underlying. The Issuer may choose not to hold the Underlying or any derivatives contracts linked to the Underlying. There is no restriction through the issue of the Securities on the ability of the Issuer and/or its affiliates to sell, pledge or otherwise convey all right, title and interest in any Underlying or any derivatives contracts linked to the Underlying.

Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the Underlying

The Calculation Agent is the agent of the Issuer and not the agent of the Holders or any of them. The Issuer may itself act as the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent will make such adjustments as it considers appropriate as a consequence of certain corporate actions affecting the Underlying. In making these adjustments the Calculation Agent is entitled to exercise substantial discretion and may be subject to conflicts of interest in exercising this discretion. The Calculation Agent is not required to make adjustments with respect to each and every corporate action.

There may be limitations on a Holder's right to exercise the Securities

- (a) *Maximum Exercise Amount.* If so indicated in the Conditions, the Issuer will have the option to limit the number of Securities exercisable on any date (other than the final exercise date) to the maximum number so specified and, in conjunction with such limitation, to limit the number of Securities exercisable by any person or group of persons (whether or not acting in concert) on such date. In the event that the total number of Securities being exercised on any

date (other than the final exercise date) exceeds such maximum number and the Issuer has elected to limit the number of Securities exercisable on such date, a holder of Securities may not be able to exercise on such date all the Securities that it desires to exercise. In any such case, the number of Securities to be exercised on such date will be reduced until the total number of Securities exercised on such date no longer exceeds such maximum (unless the Issuer otherwise elects), such Securities being selected as specified in the Conditions. Securities tendered for exercise but not exercised on such date will be automatically exercised on the next date on which Securities may be exercised, subject to the same daily maximum limitation and delayed exercise provisions.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

- (b) *Minimum Exercise Amount.* If so indicated in the Conditions, a Holder may have to tender a specified minimum number of the Securities at any one time in order to exercise the Securities. Thus Holders with fewer than the specified minimum number of such Securities will either have to sell their Securities or purchase additional Securities, incurring transaction costs in each case, in order to realise a return on their investment, and may incur the risk that the trading price of the Securities at that time is different from, in the case of Securities settled in cash (“**Cash Settled Securities**”), the applicable Cash Amount (as defined in the Product Conditions) or, in the case of Securities settled by way of physical delivery (“**Physical Delivery Securities**”), the applicable Share Amount (as defined in the Product Conditions).

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

- (c) *Integral Multiples.* A Holder must tender a number of Securities which is an integral multiple of the number specified in the applicable Final Terms at any one time in order to exercise the Securities. Thus Holders who wish to exercise Securities but do not have number of Securities which is such an integral multiple will either have to sell Securities or purchase additional Securities, incurring transaction costs in each case, in order to exercise, and may incur the risk that the trading price of the Securities at that time is different from, in the case of Cash Settled Securities, the applicable Cash Amount or, in the case of Physical Delivery Securities, the applicable Share Amount.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

There may be delays in effecting settlement

If the Securities are subject to provisions relating to exercise, then upon their exercise, there will be a time lag between the time a holder of the Securities gives instructions to exercise and the time the applicable Cash Amount (if the Securities are Cash Settled Securities) relating to such exercise is determined. If the Securities are Physical Delivery Securities there will be a time lag following exercise of the Securities until the Share Amount is delivered to the relevant Holder's account. Any such delay between the time of exercise and the determination of the Cash Amount or delivery of the Share Amount will be specified in the Conditions. However, such delay could be significantly longer, particularly in the case of a delay in exercise of such Securities arising from, as described above, any daily maximum exercise limitation or, as described above, any delay consequent upon the determination by the Calculation Agent that a Market Disruption Event (which includes Emerging Market Disruption Events) or a Settlement Disruption Event occurred at any relevant time. The applicable Cash Amount or Share Amount could decrease or increase from what it would have been but for such delay.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

If the Securities are subject to provisions concerning delivery of a Notice and such Notice is received by the relevant Clearing Agent, with a copy to the Principal Agent after the latest time specified in the Conditions, it will be deemed to be duly delivered on the next following Business Day. Such deemed delay may in the case of Cash Settled Securities increase or decrease the Cash Amount from what it would have been but for such deemed delivery. In the case of Securities which are exercisable on one day only or only during an exercise period any Notice, if not delivered by the latest time specified in the Conditions, shall be void.

If the Securities are subject to provisions concerning delivery of a Notice and such notice is received by either the relevant Clearing Agent, with a copy to the Principal Agent after the latest time specified in the Conditions, it will be deemed to be duly delivered on the next following Business Day. Such deemed delay may in the case of Cash Settled Securities increase or decrease the Cash Amount from what it would have been but for such deemed delivery. In the case of Securities which are exercisable on one day only or only during an exercise period any Notice, if not delivered by the latest time specified in the Conditions, shall, unless the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with the applicable Product Conditions and Final Terms, be void.

The failure to deliver any certifications required by the Conditions could result in the loss or inability to receive amounts or deliveries otherwise due under the Securities.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

Securities not exercised in accordance with the Conditions will (where exercise is required) expire worthless.

Taxes may be payable by investors

Potential purchasers and sellers of the Securities should be aware that they may be required to pay stamp taxes or other documentary charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country where the Securities are transferred. Holders are subject to the provisions of General Condition 9 and payment and/or delivery of any amount due in respect of the Securities will be conditional upon the payment of any Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions.

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt as to their tax position should consult their own independent tax advisers. In addition, potential purchasers should be aware that tax regulations and their application by the relevant taxation authorities change from time to time. Accordingly, it is not possible to predict the precise tax treatment which will apply at any given time.

No tax gross-up

If payments on the Securities are or become subject to a withholding or deduction required by law on account of any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature, the Issuer will make the required withholding or deduction, as the case may be, and neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent nor any other person shall pay any additional amounts to the Holders in respect of such withholding or deduction. Please refer to section “General Condition 9 - Taxation”.

The Securities may be terminated prior to their stated date

If the Issuer determines that the performance of its obligations under the Securities has become illegal or impractical in whole or in part for any reason or the Issuer determines that it is no longer legal or practical for it to maintain its hedging arrangement with respect to the Securities for any reason, the Issuer may at its discretion and without obligation terminate early the Securities. If the Issuer terminates early the Securities, the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay the holder of each such Security an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be its fair market value less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements notwithstanding the illegality or impracticality.

Risks associated with Securities held in global form

The Securities will initially be held by or on behalf of one or more clearing systems specified in the applicable Final Terms (each a “**Relevant Clearing System**”), either in the form of a global bearer Security which will be exchangeable for definitive Securities only in the event of the closure of all Relevant Clearing Systems or in dematerialised form depending on the rules of the Relevant Clearing System. For as long as any Securities are held by or on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System, payments of principal, interest (if any) and any other amounts will be made through the Relevant

Clearing System, where required, against presentation or surrender (as the case may be) of any relevant global Security and, in the case of a temporary global Security in bearer form, certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership. The risk is that the bearer or the registered holder, as the case may be, of the relevant global Security, typically a depositary or a nominee for a depositary for the Relevant Clearing System, or, in the case of Securities in dematerialised form, the Relevant Clearing System and not the Holder itself, shall be treated by the Issuer and any Agent (as defined in the Conditions) as the sole holder of the relevant Securities with respect to the payment of principal (if any), interest (if any) and any other amounts payable in respect of the Securities or any securities deliverable in respect of the Securities. Holders therefore are required to look to the Relevant Clearing System in respect of payments made to it by the Issuer in respect of Securities in global or dematerialised form.

Securities which are held by or on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of the Relevant Clearing System.

Risk associated with nominee arrangements

Where a nominee service provider is used by an investor to hold Securities or such investor holds interests in any Security through accounts with a Relevant Clearing System, such investor will receive payments in respect of amounts due, or securities deliverable, as applicable, solely on the basis of the arrangements entered into by the investor with the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System, as the case may be. Furthermore, such investor must rely on the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System to distribute all payments or securities attributable to the relevant Securities which are received from the Issuer. Accordingly, such an investor will be exposed to the credit risk of, and default risk in respect of, the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System, as well as the Issuer.

In addition, such a Holder will only be able to sell any Securities held by it prior to their stated maturity date with the assistance of the relevant nominee service provider.

None of the Issuer or any Agent shall be responsible for the acts or omissions of any relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System nor makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the service provided by any relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System.

The return on an investment in Securities will be affected by charges incurred by investors

An investor's total return on an investment in any Securities will be affected by the level of fees charged by the nominee service provider and/or Relevant Clearing System used by the investor. Such a person or institution may charge fees for the opening and operation of an investment account, transfers of Securities, custody services and on payments of interest, principal and other amounts or

delivery of securities. Potential investors are therefore advised to investigate the basis on which any such fees will be charged on the relevant Securities.

Change of law and jurisdiction

The Conditions are based on English law in effect as at the date of this Base Prospectus. No assurance can be given as to the impact of any possible change to English law or administrative practice after the date of this Base Prospectus. Prospective investors in the Securities should note that the courts of England and Wales shall have jurisdiction in respect of any disputes involving the Securities. Holders may, however, take any suit, action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Securities against the Issuer in any court of competent jurisdiction. English law may be materially different from the equivalent law in the home jurisdiction of prospective investors in its application to the Securities.

Credit ratings may not reflect all risks

One or more independent credit rating agencies may assign credit ratings to the Issuer or the Securities. The ratings may not reflect the potential impact of all risks related to structure, market, additional factors discussed above, and other factors that may affect the value of the Securities. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be revised or withdrawn by the rating agency at any time.

Legal investment considerations may restrict certain investments

The investment activities of certain investors are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, or review or regulation by certain authorities. Each potential investor should consult its legal advisers to determine whether and to what extent (i) Securities are legal investments for it, (ii) Securities can be used as collateral for various types of borrowing and (iii) other restrictions apply to its purchase or pledge of any Securities. Financial institutions should consult their legal advisers or the appropriate regulators to determine the appropriate treatment of Securities under any applicable risk-based capital or similar rules.

Modification, waivers and substitution

The Issuer may decide to make modifications to the Securities without the consent of the Holders which may affect the Holders' interest either:

- (a) for the purpose of curing any ambiguity or of curing, correcting or supplementing any manifest error or other defective provision; or
- (b) in any other manner which is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders; or
- (c) for the purpose of the substitution of another company as principal debtor under any Securities in place of the Issuer, in the circumstances described in General Condition 8.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Base Prospectus as completed and/or amended by the Final Terms. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

ESSENTIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ISSUER

History and incorporation

The origin of RBS N.V. can be traced to the formation of “Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V.” in 1825 pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824. RBS N.V.’s articles of association were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. RBS N.V. is registered in the Commercial Register of Amsterdam under number 33002587. RBS N.V.’s registered office is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RBS Holdings N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Holding N.V.) (“**RBS Holdings**”), which is incorporated as a limited liability company under Dutch law by deed of 30 May 1990. The articles of association of RBS Holdings were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. M.W. Galjaart, a deputy of Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. The registered office of RBS Holdings is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS Holdings owns 100 per cent. of RBS N.V.’s shares and is jointly and severally liable for all our liabilities in respect of the structured products pursuant to a declaration under Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code.

RBS Holdings and the Issuer form part of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group (referred to as the “**Group**”, “**RBS**” or “**RBS Group**”).

Overview

The Issuer is a bank licensed by the Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*). RBS Group targets the highest possible credit rating for RBS N.V.

The Issuer operates on a significant scale across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), the Americas and Asia. At legal separation from the ABN AMRO group on 1 April 2010 (see the paragraph *Separation from the ABN AMRO group* below), RBS N.V. has a sizeable balance sheet, a significant staff presence and a broad set of products; provided by a sales force operating in approximately 40 countries (reducing over time following intended asset sales or exits of selected network countries). As at 31 December 2009, the RBS acquired businesses within RBS N.V. reported total consolidated assets of €275 billion and had more than 27,000 full time staff through a network of 264 offices and branches.

Headquartered in Edinburgh, the RBS Group operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and internationally through its two principal subsidiaries, RBS Plc and Natwest. Both RBS Plc and

Natwest are major United Kingdom clearing banks whose origins go back over 275 years. In the United States, RBS Group's subsidiary Citizens is a large commercial banking organization. RBS Group has a large and diversified customer base and provides a wide range of products and services to personal, commercial and large corporate and institutional customers.

Group Organisational Structure

RBS N.V. comprises the following core businesses:

- Global Banking & Markets: Global Lending, Equities, Short Term Markets & Funding and Local Markets;
- Global Transaction Services: Global Trade Finance, Transaction Banking and International Cash Management; and
- Risk & Restructuring: The Non-Core Division in Risk & Restructuring contains assets that are no longer core to RBS Group's strategic objectives and include Trading, Wholesale Banking and Retail & Commercial Business Units, as well as selected network countries. The assets will reduce over time through wind-down, sale or transfer.

These RBS N.V. businesses are part of global business units in the RBS Group that operate across multiple legal entities. The strategy of RBS N.V. is part of the overall businesses' strategies of the RBS Group.

Separation from the ABN AMRO group

On 17 October 2007 85.6 per cent. of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was acquired through RFS Holdings B.V. ("**RFS Holdings**"), a company incorporated by a consortium consisting of the RBS, Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV ("**Fortis**") and Banco Santander S.A. each a "**Consortium Member**".

On 3 October 2008 the State of the Netherlands ("**Dutch State**") acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

RBS and the Dutch State agreed that the Dutch State acquired businesses would be legally separated from the residual RBS acquired businesses into a new bank.

Legal demerger and legal separation process

On 30 September 2009 ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that a two-step approach would be taken to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – “**Legal Demerger**”: Transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (the “**Demerging Company**”) to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the “**Acquiring Company**”). Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company was to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The Acquiring Company, comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses, was to then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Legal Demerger and the consequent name changes were successfully effected on 6th February 2010.

Step 2 – “**Legal Separation**”: Transfer of the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Following the transfer of the shares in ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to a new holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was to be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.

The Legal Separation and the consequent name change were successfully effected on 1 April 2010.

Following Legal Separation, the Issuer’s activities continue to be subject to Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) and the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) supervision and on a consolidated basis as part of the RBS Group subject to UK Financial Services Authority supervision. Due to the change in the operating model of RBS N.V. compared to pre-acquisition ABN AMRO Bank N.V. a licence renewal has been granted by the Dutch Central Bank on 3 February 2010.

Following Legal Separation a new managing board and supervisory board of RBS N.V. were appointed.

Issued Financial Instruments on the Issuer’s securities

At the time hereof, there are no convertible bonds or options on the issuer's securities (including employee options) outstanding which have been issued by the Issuer or by group companies of the Issuer.

Equity Securities

All the Issuer's ordinary shares are held by RBS Holdings N.V. and are not listed or traded.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The Issuer's registration document dated 1 July 2010 (the "**Registration Document**"), prepared in accordance with Article 5(3) of the Prospectus Directive which has been (1) previously published or is published simultaneously with this Base Prospectus and (2) filed with the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) in its capacity as competent authority under the Act on Financial Supervision (*Wet op het financieel toezicht (Wft)*) 2007 (the "**Competent Authority**") and shall, together with the documents incorporated therein, be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus.

The following documents which have previously been published or are published simultaneously with this Base Prospectus and have been filed with the AFM shall, among other document incorporated into the Registration Document by reference, be deemed to be incorporated in, and to form part of, this Base Prospectus:

- a) the publicly available consolidated financial statements of RBS Holdings in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2009, 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2007 respectively and the auditor's reports for the respective years, as included in the annual report for those financial years;
- b) the Articles of Association (*statuten*) of each of RBS Holdings and RBS N.V. as in force and effect on the date of this prospectus;
- c) the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information relating to RBS Holdings N.V. for the year ended 31 December 2009 as included in the press release announcing completion of the legal separation dated 1 April 2010;
- d) the publicly available press release in connection with the RBS Holdings N.V. first quarter 2010 financial results, dated 9 June 2010;
- e) the terms of reference of the Audit Committee as set out in the Rules Governing the Supervisory Board's Principles and Best Practices dated 29 April 2010; and
- f) the publicly available interim report in connection with the RBS Holding N.V. financial results of the first half year of 2010, published on 31 August 2010.

The Registration Document, copies of all other documents incorporated by reference and other documents as mentioned above, are accessible at <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive> and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning, The Royal Bank of Scotland

Group Investor Relations, 280 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 207 672 1758, email investor.relations@rbs.com or at the registered office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom.

The Issuer will, in the event of any significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to the information included in this Base Prospectus which is capable of affecting the assessment of any Securities, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus for use in connection with any subsequent issue of Securities.

MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

Save as disclosed in this document and/or the documents incorporated by reference herein, there has been no significant change in the financial position of the Issuer since 31st December 2009. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer since 31st December 2009 other than as disclosed in this LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference herein.

TAXATION

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt about their tax position on purchase, ownership, transfer, exercise or non-exercise of any Security should consult their professional tax advisers.

1. GENERAL

Purchasers of Securities may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws of practices of the country of purchase in addition to the issue or purchase price of each Security.

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty or other payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Securities.

The Purchasers should be aware that tax treatment depends on the individual circumstances of each client and may be subject to change in the future.

2. EU SAVINGS DIRECTIVE

Under EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income, Member States, are required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest (or similar income) paid by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual resident in that other Member State or to certain limited types of entities established in that other Member State. However, for a transitional period, Luxembourg and Austria are instead required (unless during that period they elect otherwise) to operate a withholding system in relation to such payments (the ending of such transitional period being dependent upon the conclusion of certain other agreements relating to information exchange with certain other countries). A number of non-EU countries and territories including Switzerland have adopted similar measures (a withholding system in the case of Switzerland).

On 15 September 2008 the European Commission issued a report to the Council of the European Union on the operation of the Directive, which included the Commission's advice on the need for changes to the Directive. On 13 November 2008 the European Commission published a more detailed proposal for amendments to the Directive, which included a number of suggested changes. The European Parliament approved an amended version of this proposal on 24 April 2009. If any of those proposed changes are made in relation to the Directive, they may amend or broaden the scope of the requirements described above.

3. THE NETHERLANDS

General

The following summary outlines the principal Netherlands tax consequences of the acquisition, holding, settlement, redemption and disposal of the Securities, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all Netherlands tax considerations in relation thereto. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Securities.

This summary is based on tax legislation, published case law, treaties, regulations and published policy, in each case as in force as of the date of this Base Prospectus, and does not take into account any developments or amendments thereof after that date whether or not such developments or amendments have retroactive effect.

This summary does not address the Netherlands tax consequences for:

- (i) holders of Securities holding a substantial interest (*aanmerkelijk belang*) or deemed substantial interest (*fictief aanmerkelijk belang*) in the Issuer and holders of Securities of whom a certain related person holds a substantial interest in the Issuer. Generally speaking, a substantial interest in the Issuer arises if a person, alone or, where such person is an individual, together with his or her partner (statutory defined term), directly or indirectly, holds (i) an interest of 5% or more of the total issued capital of the Issuer or of 5% or more of the issued capital of a certain class of shares of the Issuer, (ii) rights to acquire, directly or indirectly, such interest or (iii) certain profit sharing rights in the Issuer;
- (ii) investment institutions (*fiscale beleggingsinstellingen*); and
- (iii) pension funds, exempt investment institutions (*vrijgestelde beleggingsinstellingen*) or other entities that are exempt from Netherlands corporate income tax.
- (iv) holders of Securities for whom the benefits from the Securities qualify for the participation exemption within the meaning of article 13 of the Netherlands corporate income tax act 1969 (*Wet op de vennootschapsbelasting 1969*).

This summary does not describe the consequences of a possible exchange or possible conversion of the Securities in shares or other equity instruments issued by the Issuer or a party related to the Issuer.

Where this summary refers to a holder of Securities, such reference is restricted to a holder holding legal title to as well as an economic interest in such Securities.

Withholding Tax

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities may be made free of withholding or deduction for any taxes of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld or assessed by the Netherlands or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein provided that the Securities do not in fact function as equity of the Issuer within the meaning of article 10, paragraph 1, under d of the Netherlands corporate income tax act 1969 (*Wet op de vennootschapsbelasting 1969*).

Corporate and Individual Income Tax

Residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes and is fully subject to Netherlands corporate income tax or is only subject to Netherlands corporate income tax in respect of an enterprise to which the Securities are attributable, income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Securities are generally taxable in the Netherlands (at up to a maximum rate of 25.5%).

If an individual holder is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (including an individual holder who has opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Securities are taxable at the progressive rates (at up to a maximum rate of 52%) under the Netherlands income tax act 2001 (*Wet inkomstenbelasting 2001*), if:

- (i) the holder is an entrepreneur (*ondernemer*) and has an enterprise to which the Securities are attributable or the holder has, other than as a shareholder, a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise (*medegerechtigde*), to which enterprise the Securities are attributable; or
- (ii) such income or gains qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*), which include the performance of activities with respect to the Securities that exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*).

If neither condition (i) nor condition (ii) applies to the holder of the Securities, taxable income with regard to the Securities must be determined on the basis of a deemed return on income

from savings and investments (*sparen en beleggen*), rather than on the basis of income actually received or gains actually realised. This deemed return on income from savings and investments has been fixed at a rate of 4% of the average of the individual's yield basis (*rendementsgrondslag*) at the beginning of the calendar year and the individual's yield basis at the end of the calendar year, insofar as the average exceeds a certain threshold. The average of the individual's yield basis is determined as the fair market value of certain qualifying assets held by the holder of the Securities less the fair market value of certain qualifying liabilities on 1 January and 31 December, divided by two. The fair market value of the Securities will be included as an asset in the individual's yield basis. The 4% deemed return on income from savings and investments will be taxed at a rate of 30%.

Non-residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is not a resident nor is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (or has not opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), such holder is not taxable in respect of income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the settlement, redemption or disposal of the Securities, unless:

- (i) the holder is not an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Securities are attributable, or (2) is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise or a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise, which is effectively managed in the Netherlands (other than by way of securities) and to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

This income is subject to Netherlands corporate income tax at up to a maximum rate of 25.5%.

- (ii) the holder is an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise or an interest in an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Securities are attributable, or (2) realises income or gains with respect to the Securities that qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*) in the Netherlands, which activities include the performance of activities in the Netherlands with respect to the Securities which exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*), or (3) is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise which is

effectively managed in the Netherlands (other than by way of securities) and to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

Income derived from the Securities as specified under (1) and (2) is subject to individual income tax at up to a maximum rate of 52%. Income derived from a share in the profits as specified under (3) that is not already included under (1) or (2) will be taxed on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (as described above under “Residents of the Netherlands”). The fair market value of the share in the profits of the enterprise (which includes the Securities) will be part of the individual’s Netherlands yield basis.

Gift and Inheritance Tax

Residents of the Netherlands

Generally, gift and inheritance tax will be due in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Securities by way of a gift by, or on the death of, a holder that is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax at the time of the gift or his or her death.

A holder of Dutch nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift and inheritance tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands and dies or makes a donation within ten years after leaving the Netherlands. A holder of any other nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands and makes a donation within a twelve months period after leaving the Netherlands. The same twelve-month rule may apply to entities that have transferred their seat of residence out of the Netherlands.

Non-residents of the Netherlands

No gift or inheritance taxes will arise in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Securities by way of a gift by, or as a result of, the death of a holder that is neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax, unless in the case of a gift of the Securities by a holder who at the date of the gift was neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands, such holder dies within 180 days after the date of the gift, and at the time of his or her death is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands.

Value Added Tax

In general, no value added tax will arise in respect of payments in consideration for the issue of the Securities or in respect of a cash payment made under the Securities, or in respect of a transfer of Securities.

Other Taxes and Duties

No registration tax, customs duty, transfer tax, stamp duty or any other similar documentary tax or duty will be payable in the Netherlands by a holder in respect of or in connection with the subscription, issue, placement, allotment, delivery or transfer of the Securities.

4. UNITED KINGDOM

The following applies only to persons who are the beneficial owners of the Securities and is a summary of the Issuer's understanding of current United Kingdom tax law and United Kingdom HM Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") practice relating only to certain aspects of United Kingdom taxation. It does not deal with any other United Kingdom taxation implications of acquiring, holding or disposing of Securities. Some aspects do not apply to certain classes of persons (such as persons carrying on a trade of dealing in Securities and persons connected with the Issuer) to whom special rules may apply. The United Kingdom tax treatment of prospective Holders of Securities depends on their individual circumstances and may be subject to change in the future. The precise tax treatment of a Holder of Securities will depend for each issue on the terms of the Securities, as specified in the Conditions of the Securities. Prospective Holders of Securities who may be subject to tax in a jurisdiction other than the United Kingdom or who may be unsure as to their tax position should seek their own professional advice. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Securities.

Withholding Tax

Securities issued otherwise than through the Issuer's London branch

Payments of interest on these Securities may be made without withholding on account of United Kingdom income tax.

Securities issued by the Issuer's London branch

Payments made in respect of the Securities may be made without deduction or withholding for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where such payments are not regarded as either interest or annual payments for United Kingdom tax purposes.

Even if such payments were to be regarded as interest or annual payments for United Kingdom tax purposes, the Issuer should not be required to withhold or deduct sums for or on account of United Kingdom income tax from payments made in respect of the Securities provided that the Securities are derivative contracts, the profits and losses arising from which are calculated in accordance with the provisions of Part 7 of the Corporation Tax Act 2009 (which broadly they should be provided that they are derivatives for the purposes of FRS25 (or International Accounting Standard 32) and are not excluded for the purposes of Part 7 of that Act by virtue of their underlying subject matter).

If interest payable on the Securities or if payments made in respect of the Securities were to be regarded as interest for United Kingdom tax purposes, provided that the Issuer's London branch is and continues to be a bank within the meaning of section 991 of the Income Tax Act 2007 (the "**ITA 2007**"), such payments may be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where the interest is paid in the ordinary course of the Issuer's London branch's business within the meaning of section 878 ITA 2007.

Payments of interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be made without deduction of or withholding for or on account of United Kingdom income tax if the Securities are and continue to be listed on a "recognised stock exchange", as defined in section 1005 of the ITA 2007. The Euronext Amsterdam is a recognised stock exchange. The Securities will therefore satisfy this requirement if they are (a) officially listed in the Netherlands in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in EEA states and are admitted to trading on the Euronext Amsterdam, or (b) admitted to trading on another "recognised stock exchange" and officially listed in a country in which there is a "recognised stock exchange" in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in EEA states. Provided, therefore, that the Securities are and remain so listed, interest on the Securities will be payable without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax whether or not the Issuer's London branch carries on a banking business in the United Kingdom and whether or not the interest is paid in the ordinary course of its business.

Interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where interest on or in respect of the Securities is paid by a company and, at the time the payment is made, the Issuer's London

branch reasonably believes (and any person by or through whom interest on the Securities is paid reasonably believes) that the beneficial owner is within the charge to United Kingdom corporation tax as regards the payment of interest; provided that HMRC has not given a direction (in circumstances where it has reasonable grounds to believe that the above exemption is not available in respect of such payment of interest at the time the payment is made) that the interest should be paid under deduction of tax.

Interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where the maturity of the Securities is less than 365 days and those Securities do not form part of a scheme or arrangement of borrowing intended to be capable of remaining outstanding for more than 364 days.

In other cases, an amount must generally be withheld from payments of interest on or in respect of Securities issued by the Issuer's London branch on account of United Kingdom income tax at the basic rate (currently 20 per cent.). However, where an applicable double tax treaty provides for a lower rate of withholding tax (or for no tax to be withheld) in relation to a Holder of the Securities, HMRC can issue a notice to the Issuer's London branch to pay interest to the Holder of the Securities without deduction of tax (or for interest to be paid with tax deducted at the rate provided for in the relevant double tax treaty).

UK Information Gathering Powers

Irrespective of whether the Securities are issued by the Issuer's London branch, Holders of the Securities may wish to note that, in certain circumstances, HMRC has power to obtain information (including the name and address of the beneficial owner of the interest) from any person in the United Kingdom who either pays or credits interest to or receives interest for the benefit of a Holder of the Securities. HMRC also has power, in certain circumstances, to obtain information from any person in the United Kingdom who pays amounts payable on the redemption of Securities (which are deeply discounted securities for the purposes of the Income Tax (Trading and Other Income) Act 2005) to or receives such amounts for the benefit of another person, although HMRC published practice indicates that HMRC will not exercise the power referred to above to require this information in respect of amounts payable on the redemption of deeply discounted securities where such amounts are paid on or before 5 April 2011. Such information may include the name and address of the beneficial owner of the amount payable on redemption. Any information obtained may, in certain circumstances, be exchanged by HMRC with the tax authorities of the jurisdiction in which the Holder of the Securities is resident for tax purposes.

Stamp Taxes

For the purposes of the following paragraphs, “**Exempt Loan Capital**” means any security which constitutes loan capital (“**Loan Capital**”) for the purposes of section 78 of the Finance Act 1986 (“**FA 1986**”) and: (a) does not carry rights to acquire shares or securities (by way of exchange, conversion or otherwise) that are not Exempt Loan Capital; (b) has not carried and does not carry a right to interest the amount of which exceeds a reasonable commercial return on the nominal amount of the relevant security; (c) has not carried and does not carry a right to interest the amount of which falls or has fallen to be determined to any extent by reference to the results of, or any part of, a business or to the value of any property; and (d) has not carried and does not carry a right to a premium which is not reasonably comparable with amounts payable on securities listed on the London Stock Exchange.

Stamp duty on the issue of Securities

In relation to Securities in bearer form which are denominated in sterling and which are not Loan Capital, a charge to United Kingdom stamp duty at 1.5 per cent. of the value of such Securities may arise if issued in the United Kingdom. No stamp duty liability will arise on the issue of such Securities if issued outside the United Kingdom. However, in relation to Securities of that kind originally issued outside the United Kingdom, on the first transfer by delivery in the United Kingdom of any such Security a stamp duty liability at 1.5 per cent. of the value of such Security may arise. Furthermore, the issue of a Security which has characteristics of an option or any instrument granting such a Security may be subject to United Kingdom stamp duty. However, no stamp duty liability will arise on the issue or transfer of such Securities which constitute an interest in, a right to an allotment of or to subscribe for, or an option to acquire or to dispose of Exempt Loan Capital.

Stamp duty on the transfer of Securities

No United Kingdom stamp duty should be required to be paid on transfers of Securities on sale provided no instrument of transfer is used to complete such sales.

An instrument transferring a Security on sale of the Security which is executed in the United Kingdom or which (if not executed in the United Kingdom) relates to any matter or thing done or to be done in the United Kingdom may be subject to stamp duty at a rate of 0.5 per cent. of the consideration paid for the Securities if the Securities are either not Loan Capital and do not constitute an interest in, a right to an allotment of or to subscribe for, or an option to acquire or to dispose of Exempt Loan Capital or are Loan Capital but are not Exempt Loan Capital.

Stamp duty reserve tax (“SDRT”) on the issue of Securities to a Clearance Service

No SDRT should be payable in relation to the issue of a Security to any person providing a clearance service, or a nominee for any such person, within the meaning of section 96 FA 1986 (a “**Clearance Service**”) unless the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of shares which are paired with shares (which are not “newly subscribed shares” as defined in section 99(12) FA 1986) issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

Except where an election has been made under which the alternative system of charge as provided for in section 97A FA 1986 (a “**s97A Election**”) applies, SDRT at a rate of 1.5 per cent may be payable on the issue or transfer of a Security to a Clearance Service where the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of shares which are paired with shares (which are not “newly subscribed shares” as defined in section 99(12) FA 1986) issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

The ECJ has found in *C-569/07 HSBC Holdings plc and Vidacos Nominees Ltd v The Commissioners of Her Majesty’s Revenue & Customs* (Case C-569/07) that the 1.5 per cent. charge is contrary to EU Community Law where shares are issued to a clearance system. HMRC has subsequently indicated that it will not levy the charge on shares issued to a clearance system within the EU. It is not clear the extent to which this decision applies to the Securities or the way in which any change in legislation or HMRC practice in response to this decision may alter the position outlined above.

SDRT on the transfer of Securities held within a Clearance Service

SDRT should generally not be payable in relation to an agreement to transfer a Security held within a Clearance Service provided that no s97A Election has been made.

SDRT on the transfer of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made

In the case of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or Securities held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made, no SDRT should be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer a Security unless the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of either: (i) stocks, shares or loan capital for the purposes of section 99(3) FA 1986 which are not Exempt Loan Capital and which are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom; or (ii) shares which are paired with shares issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom, unless (in either case) that Security is in bearer form.

In the case of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or Securities held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made, SDRT should generally be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer a Security where the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of either: (i) stocks, shares or loan capital for the purposes of section 99(3) FA 1986 which are not Exempt Loan Capital and which are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom; or (ii) shares which are paired with shares issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom, unless (in either case) that Security is in bearer form. SDRT would be payable at a rate of 0.5 per cent. of the consideration given under an agreement to transfer such Securities, unless the transfer is to a depositary for a Clearance Service or to a person issuing depositary receipts (or to an agent or nominee of such a person) where SDRT may be payable at a rate of 1.5 per cent..

Stamp duty and SDRT on the exercise or redemption of the Securities

Stamp duty and SDRT may also be payable on the transfer of an asset on physical settlement of the Securities.

5. LUXEMBOURG

The following summary is of a general nature and is included herein solely for information purposes. It is based on the laws presently in force in Luxembourg, though it is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice. Prospective investors in the Securities should therefore consult their own professional advisers as to the effects of state, local or foreign laws, including Luxembourg tax law, to which they may be subject.

TAXATION OF THE HOLDERS OF SECURITIES

Withholding Tax

(i) Non-resident holders of Securities

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the laws of 21 June 2005 (the “**Laws**”) mentioned below, there is no withholding tax on payments of principal, premium or interest made to non-resident holders of Securities, nor on accrued but unpaid interest in respect of the Securities, nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of the Securities held by non-resident holders of Securities.

Under the Laws implementing the Council Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments and ratifying the treaties entered into by Luxembourg and certain dependent and associated territories of EU Member States (the “**Territories**”), payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent

established in Luxembourg to or for the immediate benefit of an individual beneficial owner or a residual entity, as defined by the Laws, which is resident of, or established in, an EU Member State (other than Luxembourg) or one of the Territories will be subject to a withholding tax unless the relevant recipient has adequately instructed the relevant paying agent to provide details of the relevant payments of interest or similar income to the fiscal authorities of his/her/its country of residence or establishment, or, in the case of an individual beneficial owner, has provided a tax certificate issued by the fiscal authorities of his/her country of residence in the required format to the relevant paying agent. Where withholding tax is applied, it is currently levied at a rate of 20 per cent. and will be levied at a rate of 35 per cent. as of 1 July 2011. Responsibility for the withholding of the tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent. Payments of interest under the Securities coming within the scope of the Laws would at present be subject to withholding tax of 20 per cent.

(ii) Resident holders of Securities

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the law of 23 December 2005 as amended (the “**Law**”) mentioned below, there is no withholding tax on payments of principal, premium or interest made to Luxembourg resident holders of Securities, nor on accrued but unpaid interest in respect of Securities, nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of Securities held by Luxembourg resident holders of Securities.

Under the Law payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the benefit of an individual beneficial owner who is resident of Luxembourg will be subject to a withholding tax of 10 per cent. Such withholding tax will be in full discharge of income tax if the beneficial owner is an individual acting in the course of the management of his/her private wealth. Responsibility for the withholding of the tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent. Payments of interest under the Securities coming within the scope of the Law would be subject to withholding tax of 10 per cent.

7. Switzerland

The following is a general summary of the Issuer’s understanding of certain Swiss tax consequences in relation to dealings in the Securities according to the currently valid Swiss tax laws and the Swiss tax authorities’ practice as of the date of publication of the LaunchPAD programme. This outline is a summary and not exhaustive and does not take into consideration possible special circumstances of some investors. Tax laws and the tax

authorities' practice may undergo changes (or their interpretation or application may change) and their validity might also be retroactive.

Potential investors should consult their own tax advisors, legal advisers or financial consultants regarding their personal tax situation when entering into transactions with reference to the Securities.

- (a) **General Information.** The Swiss tax treatment of notes, bonds and other financial instruments are primarily regulated pursuant to the conditions set forth in the Circular Letter no. 15 of the Federal Tax Administration regarding the treatment of Bonds and Derivatives Financial Instruments for the purpose of the Federal Income Tax, Federal Withholding Tax and Federal Stamp Duties, as published on 7 February 2007. These rules are usually also applied by the Cantonal and Communal tax authorities. It should be noted that the Swiss tax terms "notes" and "bonds" are not consistent with the corresponding terms stipulated by Swiss security laws and the international or foreign understanding of such terms.
- (b) **Swiss Stamp Taxes.** The issuance of Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer is in general not subject to the Swiss Issue Stamp Tax ("**Emissionsabgabe**"). Secondary market transactions of Securities which are considered as (debt) financing instruments, share-like products, fund-like products and Low Exercise Price Options (LEPO) on shares with maturity more than one year and the issuance of fund-like Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer are subject to the Swiss Securities Transfer Tax, provided that a Swiss securities dealer ("**Effekthändler**"), as defined in art. 13 para. 3 of the Swiss Federal Act on Stamp Duties ("**Stempelabgabengesetz**"), is a party to the Securities transaction or acts as an intermediary thereto. Certain exemptions may, inter alia, apply with regard to institutional investors such as mutual funds, life insurance companies and social security institutions. Pure derivatives for Swiss tax purposes like options and futures do normally not classify as taxable securities and are therefore not subject to Swiss Issue Stamp Tax and Swiss Securities Transfer Tax. If upon the exercise or redemption of a Security an underlying security is delivered to the holder of the Security, the transfer of the underlying security may be subject to Swiss Securities Transfer Tax.
- (c) **Swiss Withholding Tax.** Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer are in general not subject to Swiss withholding tax. Payments or credit of (deemed) interest or dividends on a Security issued by a Swiss resident issuer may be subject to Swiss federal withholding tax at a rate of 35 %. This may apply likewise to payments or

credits of yield from Securities which classify for tax purposes as fund-like products. The holder of a Security who is resident in Switzerland may be entitled to a full refund of or a full tax credit for the Swiss federal withholding tax, subject to conditions being met. A non Swiss resident holder of a Security may be able to claim a full or partial refund of the Swiss federal withholding tax if such a holder is entitled to claim benefits with regard to such a payment of a double taxation treaty between Switzerland and his or her country of residence.

(d) **Swiss Income Tax Treatment for Securities Held by Private Investors (Individuals) with Tax Residence in Switzerland as Part of their Private Assets.**

Payments or credits received by a holder of a Security, which are considered in a Swiss tax perspective as dividends or interests, are subject to income tax. Gains or losses realised upon a sale or other disposition by individuals with tax residence in Switzerland holding a Security as part of their private assets (private capital gain or losses) are in general not subject to Swiss Income Tax and are not deductible from taxable income respectively. However, capital gains may be subject to income taxation, if a Security qualifies as predominant one-time interest paying bond. Also gains or losses realised by buying or selling of pure derivatives for Swiss tax purposes (options and futures) are not subject to income tax as they are considered as tax-exempt capital gains or losses. Whether a Security generates taxable income (dividend and interest) or tax-exempt capital gains is depending on certain features of the Security (1-delta pay-off, reverse convertible, guaranteed coupon payments or capital protection etc.), on the underlying of the Security and on the maturity of the Security. Some Securities may be divided into taxable bonds and a tax-exempt option (or combinations of options) provided that the Security is, for Swiss tax purposes, made transparent by the issuer. A Security is considered transparent if the value on issuance of its bond and its option components can be determined separately. Under the condition of transparency, the option premium paid by the issuer is exempt from income taxation (where otherwise applicable); taxation is limited to the interest of the bond part which would have been paid for an investment in a comparable straight bond of the same issuer with a similar term and the same currency at market conditions. If the interest part of the Security is paid as a one-time compensation, the so-called “modifizierte Differenzbesteuerung” may apply in each case of pre-maturity sale or redemption of the Security. If a Security is not made transparent for Swiss tax purposes (only if the security needs to be transparent for Swiss tax purposes) the total payment to the investor (except the repayment of the invested capital) could be considered as taxable income.

- (e) **Swiss Income Tax Treatment for Securities Held by Swiss Resident Entities or Individuals as Part of Business Assets.** Income of any kind realised from Securities as part of business assets of individuals (including deemed securities dealers for Swiss tax purposes) or entities in Switzerland are subject to personal income tax or corporate income tax respectively as part of their overall net income.
- (f) **Wealth Taxation of Securities Held by Private Investors (Individuals) with Tax Residence in Switzerland.** The market value of the Securities may be subject to wealth tax levied on overall net wealth of individuals with tax residence in Switzerland, regardless of whether the Securities are held as part of their private or business assets.
- (g) **EU Savings Tax.** On 26 October 2004, the European Community and Switzerland entered into an agreement on the taxation of savings income pursuant to which Switzerland adopts measures equivalent to those of the European Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on the taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments. The agreement came into force as of 1 July 2005. On the basis of this agreement, Switzerland introduced a withholding tax on interest payments and other similar income paid by a paying agent within Switzerland to an individual resident in an EU member state. The withholding tax is withheld at a rate of 15 % for the first three years beginning with 1 July 2005, 20 % for the next three years and 35 % thereafter, with the option of such an individual to have the paying agent and Switzerland provide to the tax authorities of the Member State details of the payments in lieu of the withholding. The beneficial owner of the interest payments may be entitled to a tax credit or refund of the withholding, if any, provided that that certain conditions are met. Securities issued under this programme may be subject to EU Savings Tax. The qualification regarding “in scope” or “out of scope” of the EU Savings Tax is depending on certain features of the Security and on the underlying of the Security.

SELLING RESTRICTIONS

The statements which follow are of a general nature. Potential purchasers in each jurisdiction must ensure that they are able validly to take delivery of the Securities and any assets into which they may convert or be settled. Additional certifications may be required by the Issuer and/or any clearance system at the time of exercise and/or settlement.

1. GENERAL

No action has been or will be taken by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuer.

2. PUBLIC OFFER SELLING RESTRICTION UNDER THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a “**Relevant Member State**”), the Issuer represents and agrees that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the “**Relevant Implementation Date**”) it has not made and will not make an offer of Securities which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Base Prospectus as completed by the final terms in relation thereto to the public in that Relevant Member State except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of Securities to the public in that Relevant Member State:

- (a) if the final terms in relation to the Securities specify that an offer of those Securities may be made other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State (a “**Non-exempt Offer**”), following the date of publication of a prospectus in relation to such Securities which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State provided that any such prospectus has subsequently been completed by the final terms contemplating such Non-exempt Offer, in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, in the period beginning and ending on the dates specified in such prospectus or final terms, as applicable;

- (b) at any time to legal entities which are authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorised or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;
- (c) at any time to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than €43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts;
- (d) at any time to fewer than 100 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive); or
- (e) at any time in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive,

provided that no such offer of Securities referred to in (b) to (e) above shall require the Issuer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “**offer of Securities to the public**” in relation to any Securities in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Securities, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression “**Prospectus Directive**” means Directive 2003/71/EC and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

3. THE NETHERLANDS

Securities which qualify as savings certificates as defined in the Savings Certificates Act (“*Wet inzake spaarbewijzen*”) may only be transferred or accepted through the mediation of either the Issuer or an admitted institution of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. with due observance of the Savings Certificates Act and its implementing regulations (including registration requirements), provided that no mediation is required in respect of:

- (a) the initial issue of those Securities to the first holders thereof;
- (b) any transfer and delivery by individuals who do not act in the conduct of a profession or trade; and
- (c) the issue and trading of those Securities, if they are physically issued outside The Netherlands and are not distributed in The Netherlands in the course of primary trading or immediately thereafter.

4. UNITED STATES

No Securities of any Series have been, or will be, registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), and trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “**CFTC**”) under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (the “**CEA**”). No Securities of any Series, or interests therein, may at any time be offered, sold, resold or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person.

Offers, sales, resales or deliveries of Securities of any Series, or interests therein, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons would constitute a violation of United States securities laws unless made in compliance with the registration requirements of the Securities Act or pursuant to an exemption therefrom. In addition, in the absence of relief from the CFTC, offers, sales, resales, trades or deliveries of Securities, or interests therein, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons, may constitute a violation of United States law governing commodities trading.

Securities having a maturity of more than one year will be issued in compliance with U.S. Treas. Reg. §1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(C) (the “**C Rules**”). Securities having a maturity of one year or less are not subject to the C Rules and will be referred to in the relevant Final Terms as a transaction to which the C Rules are not applicable.

The Securities subject to the C Rules may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States, except in certain transactions permitted by U.S. tax regulations. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder.

The Issuer will require each dealer participating in the distribution of Securities subject to the C Rules to agree that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver, directly or indirectly, the Securities in the United States or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States. Further, the Issuer and each dealer to which it sells the Securities will represent and agree that in connection with the original issuance of such Securities that it has not communicated, and will not communicate, directly or indirectly, with a prospective purchaser if such purchaser is within the United States and will not otherwise involve its U.S. office in the offer or sale of such Securities. The terms used in the preceding sentence (and not otherwise defined below) have the meanings given to them by the Code and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder, including the C Rules.

As used herein, “**United States**” means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia), its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction; and “**U.S. person**” means (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (iii) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (iv) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (v) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (ii) above; (vi) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (i) to (v) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the CFTC’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (vii) any other “U.S. Person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act or in regulations adopted under the CEA.

Notice to Purchasers and Holders of Restricted Securities and Transfer Restrictions

Each purchaser of Securities will, by its purchase of such Securities, be deemed to acknowledge, represent and agree as follows:

- (a) that trading in the Securities has not been and will not be approved by the CFTC under the CEA;
- (b) that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver, directly or indirectly, any Securities of such Series so purchased in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (c) that it is not purchasing any Securities of such Series for the account or benefit of any U.S. person;
- (d) that it will not make offers, sales, resales or deliveries of any Securities of such Series (otherwise acquired), directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (e) that it will send each person who purchases any Securities of such issue from it a written confirmation (which shall include the definitions of **United States** and **U.S. person** set forth herein) stating that the Securities have not been registered under

the Securities Act, that trading in the Securities has not been approved by the CFTC under the CEA and stating that such purchaser agrees that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver any of such Securities, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;

- (f) that no U.S. person or person in the United States may at any time trade or maintain a position in the instruments and that a person entitled to receive an interim payment or exercising (or entitled to receive any amount at maturity or exercise under) the instrument will be required to certify that neither it nor the beneficial owner of the instrument is a U.S. person or is located in the United States;
- (g) that any person exercising a Security will be required to represent that it is not a U.S. person; and
- (h) if it is outside the United States and is not a U.S. person, that if it should resell or otherwise transfer the Securities prior to 40 days after the closing of the offer of the relevant Securities, it will do so only (a) outside the United States in compliance with Rule 903 or 904 under the Securities Act and (b) in accordance with all applicable United States state securities laws; and it acknowledges that the Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by the Issuer:

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

5. UNITED KINGDOM

The Issuer represents, warrants and agrees that it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "FSMA")) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Securities in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA would not, if the Issuer was not an authorised person, apply to the Issuer and it has complied and will

comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to any Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

6. INDIA

Any purchase of the Securities relating to or linked to securities listed on a stock exchange in India or indices that reference such securities should be made on the understanding that the purchaser shall be deemed to acknowledge, represent, warrant and undertake to the Group that:

- (a) it consents to the provision by the Group to any Indian governmental or regulatory authority of any information regarding it and its dealings in the Securities as required under applicable Indian regulations and/or as requested by any Indian governmental or regulatory authority;
- (b) it agrees to promptly provide to the Group, or directly to the relevant Indian governmental or regulatory authority (and confirm to the Group when it has done so), such additional information that the Group deems necessary or appropriate in order for the Group to comply with any such regulations and/or requests;
- (c) the Securities are not being purchased for the account of or pursuant to or in connection with any back-to-back transaction with: (i) a Person Resident in India as the term is used in the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999; or (ii) a “Non-Resident Indian”, a “Person of Indian Origin” or an “Overseas Corporate Body”, as such terms are used in the Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) Regulations 2000 as notified by the Reserve Bank of India; or (iii) any entity or person that is not regulated (as such term is used in the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Institutional Investors Amendment) Regulations, 2004) (each, a “**Restricted Entity**”) or a nominee of a Restricted Entity;
- (d) it is not a Restricted Entity or a nominee of a Restricted Entity;
- (e) it will not, directly or indirectly, sell, transfer, assign, novate or otherwise dispose of the Securities to or for the account of any Restricted Entity or to any nominee of any Restricted Entity; and
- (f) any sale, transfer, assignment, novation or other disposal of the Securities by it, whether direct or indirect, will be subject to the acquiring entity giving substantially the same representations and warranties to it as set out in sub-paragraphs (c) to (f) (inclusive).

The Securities have not been approved by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, Reserve Bank of India or any other regulatory authority of India, nor have the foregoing authorities approved this Base Prospectus or confirmed the accuracy or determined the adequacy of the information contained in this Base Prospectus. This Base Prospectus has not been and will not be registered as a prospectus or a statement in lieu of prospectus with the Registrar of Companies in India.

Prospective investors must seek legal advice as to whether they are entitled to subscribe to the Securities and must comply with all relevant Indian laws in this respect. Each investor is deemed to have acknowledged and agreed that it is eligible to invest in the Securities under applicable laws and regulations and that it is not prohibited under any law or regulation in India from acquiring, owning or selling the Securities.

7. HONG KONG

The Securities may not be offered or sold in Hong Kong, by means of any document, other than (i) to persons whose ordinary business is to buy and sell shares and debentures (whether as principal or agent); or (ii) to “professional investors” within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder (the “SFO”); or (iii) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a “prospectus” within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong) or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of that Ordinance. Unless permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong, no Holder may issue or have in its possession for the purpose of issue any advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Securities whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere, which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong other than with respect to the Securities intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong, or only to “professional investors” within the meaning of the SFO.

8. SINGAPORE

This Base Prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore under the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the “SFA”). Accordingly, this Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Securities may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the Securities be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to any person in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor specified in Section 274 of the SFA; (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the

conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA; or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Each of the following relevant persons specified in Section 275 of the SFA which has subscribed or purchased Securities, namely a person who is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an accredited investor,

should note that shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest in that trust shall not be transferable for 6 months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Securities under Section 275 of the SFA except:

- (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA or to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A) of the SFA, and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA;
- (ii) where no consideration is given for the transfer;
- (iii) by operation of law; or
- (iv) pursuant to Section 276(7) of the SFA.

9. TAIWAN

The Securities may not be sold, offered or issued in Taiwan unless they are made available for purchase through the non discretionary trust services of licensed Taiwan banks or the brokerage services of licensed Taiwan brokers acting as trustees or agents, as applicable, of their customers and not as agent of the Issuer or any other party.

10. SWITZERLAND

Securities issued under this Programme which are not listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. do not qualify for public distribution in or from Switzerland according to Article 5 of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes. Accordingly, such Securities may not be publicly distributed in or from Switzerland and neither this Programme, any Final Terms nor any marketing material relating to the Securities may be distributed in connection with such distribution, unless a special simplified prospectus is prepared setting forth any and all information which may be required to be disclosed in a simplified prospectus pursuant to Art.

5 of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes and any implementing ordinance or other applicable act or regulation or self-regulation in the Final Terms or a separate document (the "**Simplified Prospectus**"). Any Term Sheet prepared shall be subject to the Final Terms and the Simplified Prospectus, if any, for the relevant Securities. If no Simplified Prospectus is prepared, the Securities may only be offered and the Programme, any Final Terms or any marketing material may only be distributed in or from Switzerland to qualified investors according to the applicable provisions of the Collective Investment Scheme Act ("**CISA**") in such a way that there is no public marketing or offering in or from Switzerland as defined pursuant to the most restrictive interpretation of the applicable Swiss laws and regulations.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Authorisation

The Issuer's managing board, in its capacity as the Issuer's representative, is responsible for issuing debt instruments. The Issuer's managing board has delegated the issue of debt instruments, including the Securities, to the Group Asset and Liability Committee pursuant to a resolution dated 1 April 2010. In addition, the issue of Securities has been approved by the Issuer's supervisory board pursuant to a resolution dated 1 April 2010 and in accordance with the Issuer's articles of association. All consents, approvals, authorisations or other orders of all regulatory authorities required by the Issuer under the laws of The Netherlands have been given for the issue of the Securities.

Listing

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market for Securities issued up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus to be admitted to trading and to be listed on NYSE Euronext in Amsterdam or any other stock exchange or market. Certain Securities issued under this Base Prospectus may not be listed. For so long as the Securities are listed on NYSE Euronext in Amsterdam and NYSE Euronext requires so there will be a paying agent in The Netherlands. ABN AMRO Bank N.V. MF 2020 Kemelstede 2, P.O. Box 3200, 4800 DE Breda, The Netherlands, has been appointed as the initial paying agent in The Netherlands.

Documents available

During the validity of this Base Prospectus, copies of the following documents will, when published, be available, free of charge, from the registered office of the Issuer and from the specified office of the Agent:

- (a) the most recent Articles of Association of the Issuer;
- (b) the consolidated audited financial statements of RBS Holdings N.V. in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2009 together with the audit reports thereon;
- (c) all future consolidated financial statements of the Issuer;
- (d) a copy of the Registration Document;
- (e) all documents incorporated herein by reference;
- (f) a copy of this Base Prospectus; and

(g) the applicable Final Terms.

The Registration Document, copies of all documents incorporated by reference and other documents as mentioned above, are accessible at <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive> and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group Investor Relations, 280 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 207 672 1758, email investor.relations@rbs.com or at the registered office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom.

Clearing and settlement systems

The Securities have been accepted for clearance through Clearstream Banking AG (“**Clearstream AG**”), Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (“**Euroclear Netherlands**”), Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V. (“**Euroclear Luxembourg**”), Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme* (“**Clearstream, Luxembourg**”) and SIX SIS Ltd (“**SIX SIS Ltd**”). The appropriate WKN, Common Code, International Securities Identification Number and Valoren for each Series allocated by Clearstream AG, Euroclear Netherlands, Euroclear, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Luxembourg and SIX SIS Ltd, and any other relevant security code allocated by any other relevant clearing system, will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Securities are to clear through an additional or alternative clearing system the appropriate additional or alternative information will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. Transactions will normally be effected for settlement not earlier than three days after the date of the transaction.

Information on the Offering of the Securities

(a) Offer Process

For a short period prior to the Launch Date specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities of the relevant Series may be offered by the Issuer for subscription to prospective investors but the Issuer reserves the right to close subscription early. The Issuer anticipates that it will deliver the Final Terms in respect of each Series of the Securities which are to be admitted to trading and listed on NYSE Euronext in Amsterdam or any other stock exchange prior to the commencement of the Subscription Period specified in the Final Terms or prior to the Launch Date specified in the Final Terms if there is no Subscription Period. On or about the Launch Date the Issuer will, pursuant to its agreement with NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange, as the case may be, offer to buy or sell the Securities of any Series to be admitted to trading and listed on NYSE Euronext in Amsterdam or any other stock exchange (as applicable). Any such trading, if any, will be on an as, if and when issued basis until the Issue Date specified in the applicable Final Terms. Except in the case of dematerialised or SIS cleared Securities, the Securities will be issued in global bearer form and all trades will be settled in the applicable clearing systems on their usual basis for secondary market transactions.

Securities may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on such other or further stock exchanges or markets as the Issuer may decide. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities and/or Securities not admitted to trading on any market.

(b) Description of the Application and Payment Process for a Prospective Purchaser

Applications for Securities may be made by a prospective purchaser through any broker, financial adviser, banker, financial intermediary or other agent acting in such a capacity (each a “**Selling Agent**”) which has a relationship with the Issuer governing the sale of the Securities. Pursuant to anti-money laundering regulations, prospective purchasers who are not an existing client of a Selling Agent may be required by their Selling Agent of choice to complete an anti-money laundering form and to provide further evidence of identification in advance of applying for any Securities.

Each prospective purchaser should ascertain from its Selling Agent of choice when that Selling Agent will require receipt of cleared funds from its clients in respect of applications for Securities and the manner in which payment should be made to the Selling Agent. Each Selling Agent may impose different arrangements relating to the purchase of Securities and prospective investors should contact the Selling Agents directly for information concerning such arrangements. Applicants for Securities who arrange to purchase the Securities through a Selling Agent should note that in doing so they are assuming the credit risk of the relevant Selling Agent and that such arrangements will be subject to the applicable conditions of the relevant Selling Agent.

(c) Conditions to Which the Offer is Subject

The offer, in respect of a particular Series of Securities is subject to the Conditions as set out in this Base Prospectus, the relevant Final Terms and any document incorporated by reference (see “Document Incorporated by Reference”).

(d) Minimum/Maximum Application Amount

Investors are required to subscribe for a minimum of one (1) Security and thereafter in multiples of one (1) Security unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the relevant Series of the Securities. There is no maximum subscription amount unless otherwise stated in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the relevant Series of the Securities.

(e) Scale-back and Cancellation

The Issuer reserves the right, prior to the Issue Date, in its absolute discretion to:

1. decline in whole or in part an application for Securities such that a prospective purchaser for Securities may, in certain circumstances, not be issued the number of (or any) Securities for which it has applied (“**Scale-back**”); or

2. withdraw, cancel or modify the offer of the Securities (“**Cancellation**”).

The Issuer may Scale-back or Cancel the Securities without notice and will notify prospective investors of such Scale-back or Cancellation after such Scale-back or Cancellation has occurred. In the event that the Securities are not issued, no subscription monies shall be payable by prospective purchasers to the Issuer (either directly or indirectly through a Selling Agent (as defined above)) in respect of the Securities. Prospective purchasers should contact their Selling Agent of choice for details of the arrangements for the return of application monies in such circumstances. The Issuer shall have no responsibility for, or liability arising out of, the relationship between prospective purchasers and their respective Selling Agents and clearing system operators, including, without limitation, in respect of arrangements concerning the return of monies by such persons to their clients.

(f) Details of the Manner in Which the Results of the Initial Offer are to be Made Public

A prospective investor submitting an offer to purchase Securities will be notified of the acceptance or otherwise of such application on or prior to the Issue Date.

(g) Categories of Investors to which Securities are Offered

The Securities will be offered to both retail and qualified investors.

(h) Expenses and Taxes

Any expenses are described in the relevant Product Conditions and Final Terms for the relevant Series and will be deducted accordingly. For further information on taxes, please refer to the section titled “Taxation”.

(i) Post-issuance information

The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information.

(j) Description of the Securities

Warrants are investment instruments which, upon and subject to due exercise (including, in certain cases, payment of any strike price and expenses) in accordance with their conditions, either pay an amount determined by reference to the value of the underlying currency, commodity, index (including in the case of an index, the index and its constituent elements), stock, bond, basket or other product on one or more specified days or deliver a defined amount of the Underlying, subject to the warrant entitlement. The types of warrants that may be issued under this Base Prospectus are described below.

Cash settled warrants are warrants which, upon exercise, pay a cash amount determined by reference to the value of the Underlying on one or more specified days.

Physically settled warrants are warrants which, upon exercise, entitle the holder of the Warrants (the “**Holder**”) to delivery of a defined amount of the Underlying on one or more specified days against payment of the Strike Price (as defined below) and all applicable expenses as provided in the Product Conditions.

Call warrants are warrants which, upon exercise, entitle the Holder to payment of a cash amount or delivery of a defined amount of the Underlying, in each case determined by reference to the amount (if any) by which the value of the Underlying at exercise (the “**Final Reference Price**”) exceeds a pre-determined value of the Underlying (the “**Strike Price**”).

Put warrants are warrants which, upon exercise, entitle the Holder to payment of a cash amount or delivery of a defined amount of the Underlying, in each case determined by reference to the amount (if any) by which the Strike Price exceeds the Final Reference Price.

American style warrants are warrants which may be exercised on any business day within the exercise period specified in the applicable Product Conditions and Final Terms (the “**Exercise Period**”).

European style warrants are warrants which may only be exercised on a single day, being the Expiration Date.

Commodity warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a commodity. A range of commodities may become the Underlying in relation to a commodity warrant.

Commodity forward or futures warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a forward or futures contract related to a commodity. A range of commodity forward or futures contracts may become the Underlying in relation to a commodity forward or futures warrant.

Currency warrants are warrants where the Underlying is an exchange rate of two currencies. A range of currencies may become the Underlying in relation to a currency warrant.

Fund warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a fund. A range of funds may become the Underlying in relation to a fund warrant.

Government bond futures warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a futures contract related to a government bond. A range of government bond futures contracts may become the Underlying in relation to a government bond futures warrant.

Index warrants are warrants where the Underlying is an index. A range of indices may become the Underlying in relation to an index warrant.

Single stock warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a share. A range of individual shares may become the Underlying in relation to a single stock warrant.

Basket warrants are warrants linked to a basket of Underlyings. A range of Underlyings may constitute a basket.

Certificate Warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a certificate. A range of certificates may become the Underlying in relation to a Certificate Warrant.

Rate Warrants are warrants where the Underlying is a rate. A range of rates may become the Underlying in relation to a Rate Warrant. A Rate Warrant may or may not bear interest.

Third Party Information

Where information has been sourced from a third party, the Issuer confirms that this information has been accurately reproduced and that as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

CONDITIONS: GENERAL CONDITIONS

The General Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the Product Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these General Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Product Conditions or the applicable Final Terms and, if not so defined, shall be inapplicable. References in these General Conditions to interest and Coupons (and related expressions) shall be ignored in the case of Securities which do not bear interest. References in these General Conditions to the Conditions shall mean these General Conditions and, in relation to any Securities, the Product Conditions applicable to those Securities.

2. STATUS

The Securities constitute unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.

3. EARLY TERMINATION

The Issuer shall have the right to terminate the Securities if it shall have determined in its absolute discretion that its performance thereunder shall have become unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance in good faith by the Issuer with any applicable present or future law, rule, regulation, judgement, order or directive of any governmental, administrative, legislative or judicial authority or power (“**Applicable Law**”). In such circumstances the Issuer will, however, if and to the extent permitted by the Applicable Law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination (ignoring such illegality) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Payment will be made to

the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holder in accordance with General Condition 4.

4. NOTICES

- (a) Notices to Holders shall be given by the delivery of the relevant notice to the Clearing Agent(s) with an instruction from the Issuer to the Clearing Agent(s) to communicate such notice to the Holders. The Issuer shall also ensure that notices are duly published, to the extent required, in a manner which complies (i) with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Securities are for the time being listed or in the country in which such Securities have been admitted to trading and (ii) with any relevant legislation.

In addition, for Securities listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Issuer shall have the right but (without prejudice to the previous sentence) shall not be obliged to publish notices in electronic form on the internet website of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd (http://www.six-exchange-regulation.com/publications/communiqués/official_notices_en.html) if and so long as the Securities are listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

- (b) Any such notice issued pursuant to General Condition 4(a) by being delivered to the Clearing Agent(s) will be deemed to have been given on the date of the delivery of such notice to the Clearing Agent(s). Any such notice issued pursuant to General Condition 4(a) by being published will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication (for the avoidance of doubt, such notice having been published by any valid means) or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers.

5. HEDGING DISRUPTION

- (a) Notification. The Issuer shall as soon as reasonably practicable give instructions to the Calculation Agent to notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4(a): (i) if it determines that a Hedging Disruption Event has occurred; and (ii) of the consequence of such Hedging Disruption Event as determined by the Issuer pursuant to General Condition 5(c).

- (b) Hedging Disruption Event. A “**Hedging Disruption Event**” shall occur if the Issuer acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, determines that it is or has become not reasonably practicable or it has otherwise become undesirable, for any reason, for the Issuer or any Hedge Provider wholly or partially to (i) hold, acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of a relevant

hedging transaction (a “**Relevant Hedging Transaction**”) or asset it deems necessary, appropriate or desirable to hedge the Issuer’s obligations in respect of the Securities or (ii) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such transaction(s) or asset(s). The reasons for such determination by the Issuer may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (i) the Issuer or any Hedge Provider will, whether directly or indirectly, incur a material increase (as compared with circumstances existing on the Issue Date) in the amount of tax, duty, expense (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit or other adverse effect on its tax position) or fee (other than brokerage commissions) provided that any such materially increased amount that is incurred solely due to the deterioration of the creditworthiness of the Issuer or the Hedge Provider shall not be considered for the purposes of this sub-paragraph (i); or
- (ii) any material illiquidity in the market for, or any mandatory redemption in whole or in part of, the relevant instruments (the “**Disrupted Instrument**”) which from time to time are included in the reference asset to which the Securities relate; or
- (iii) a change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law) or the promulgation of, or change in, the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority); or
- (iv) a material decline in the creditworthiness of a party with whom the Issuer has entered into any such Relevant Hedging Transaction; or
- (v) the general unavailability of: (A) market participants who will agree to enter into a Relevant Hedging Transaction; or (B) market participants who will so enter into a Relevant Hedging Transaction on commercially reasonable terms.

In the Conditions:

“**Hedge Position**” means any purchase, sale, entry into or maintenance of one or more (i) positions or contracts in reference assets to which the Securities relate, securities, options, futures, derivatives or foreign exchange, (ii) securities lending transactions or (iii) other instruments or arrangements (however described) by the Issuer in order to hedge the Issuer’s risk of issuing, and performing its obligations with respect to, the Securities; and

“Hedge Provider” includes but is not limited to the Issuer, any associate, subsidiary or affiliate thereof and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland plc and/or any other party(ies) and/or any special purpose vehicle(s) holding or entering into a Hedge Position in connection with the Issuer’s hedging arrangements in respect of the Securities.

- (c) Consequences. The Issuer, in the event of a Hedging Disruption Event, may determine to:
- (i) terminate the Securities. In such circumstances the Issuer will, however, if and to the extent permitted by the Applicable Law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable), any such amount to be paid under this General Condition shall not be less than the present value of such minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holder in accordance with General Condition 4;
 - (ii) make an adjustment in good faith to the relevant reference asset by removing the Disrupted Instrument at its fair market value (which may be zero). Upon any such removal the Issuer may: (A) hold any notional proceeds (if any) arising as a consequence thereof and adjust the terms of payment and/or delivery in respect of the Securities; or (B) notionally reinvest such proceeds in other reference asset(s) if so permitted under the Conditions (including the reference asset(s) to which the Securities relate);
 - (iii) make any other adjustment to the Conditions as it considers appropriate in order to maintain the theoretical value of the Securities after adjusting for the relevant Hedging Disruption Event. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date, any such adjustment will in no way affect the Issuer’s

obligations to make payment to the Holders not less than the minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons on the relevant Settlement Date or Maturity Date, or Interest Payment Date, as applicable.

- (d) The Issuer may also make adjustments to the Conditions if it determines that an event has occurred which, whilst not a Hedging Disruption Event or other disruption event as specified in Product Condition 4, is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's Hedge Position. Where the Issuer makes adjustments to the Conditions pursuant to this General Condition 5(d), the Issuer shall notify the Holders thereof and shall offer to purchase from Holders for a period of not less than 10 days any Securities held by them at their fair market value (as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner and taking into account the proposed adjustment) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements.

6. PURCHASES, FURTHER ISSUES BY THE ISSUER AND PRESCRIPTION

- (a) Purchases. The Issuer or any affiliate may purchase Securities at any price in the open market or by tender or private treaty. Any Securities so purchased may be held, surrendered for cancellation or reissued or resold, and Securities so reissued or resold shall for all purposes be deemed to form part of the original series of Securities.
- (b) Further Issues. The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Holders or any of them to create and issue further securities so as to be consolidated with and form a single series with the Securities.
- (c) Prescription. Any Security or Coupon which is capable of presentation and is not so presented by its due date for presentation shall be void, and its value reduced to zero, if not so presented within five years of such due date. For the avoidance of doubt, any Securities which are subject to provisions relating to their exercise shall be void, and their value shall be zero, if not exercised in accordance with their provisions.

7. DETERMINATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

- (a) Determinations.
 - (i) In making any determinations and calculations under these Conditions, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. All such determinations and calculations by the Issuer and the Calculation Agent shall, in the absence of manifest error, be final and binding.

- (ii) Whilst it is intended that the Issuer and the Calculation Agent will employ the methodology described in the Conditions to make determinations in respect of the Securities, no assurance can be given that market, regulatory, judicial or fiscal circumstances or, without limitation, any other circumstances will not arise that would necessitate a modification or change in such methodology in order that the Securities replicate as closely as possible investments in the assets underlying the Securities and its components. The Issuer and the Calculation Agent may make any such modification or change to such methodology that it considers necessary to reflect such circumstances.
 - (iii) Calculations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in respect of the Securities shall be made on the days specified herein; however, notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else contained in these Conditions, should the Issuer or the Calculation Agent determine that in order to give effect to the methodology described in these Conditions it is necessary to make calculations on a day or days other than that specified, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to make such calculations on such calendar day or days as it shall determine.
 - (iv) Due to timing considerations, process requirements and other matters that would, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent, be relevant in relation to the implementation of asset allocation models, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent may need to make appropriate adjustments to the methodology set out in the terms and conditions as it considers necessary in order to reflect the timing and amounts that would be applicable were the Issuer or the Calculation Agent physically implementing the methodology set out in the Securities.
- (b) Modifications. The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders or any of them, modify any provision of the Conditions which is: (i) of a formal, minor or technical nature; (ii) made to correct a manifest error; or (iii) in its absolute discretion, not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders. Notice of any such modification will be given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 but failure to give, or non-receipt of, such notice will not affect the validity of any such modification.

8. SUBSTITUTION

(a) Substitution of Issuer. The Issuer may at any time without the consent of the Holders substitute for itself as issuer of the Securities with regard to any and all rights, obligations and liabilities under and in connection with the Securities:

(A) The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, registered in Scotland under No. 90312, with its registered office at 36 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YB, (“**RBS Plc**” or the “**Substitute**”) subject to the Issuer having given at least 30 days’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

(B) any entity other than RBS Plc (also, the “**Substitute**”), subject to:

either (x):

(i) the Issuer having given at least 30 days’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

(ii) the Issuer or RBS Plc having issued a legal, valid and binding guarantee of the obligations and liabilities of the Substitute under the Securities for the benefit of each and any of the Holders;

or (y):

(i) the Issuer having given at least three months’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

(ii) each Holder, from (and including) the date of such notice, to (and including) the date of such substitution, being entitled to terminate the Securities held by such Holder without any notice period in which event the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, pay to such Holder with respect to each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by the Issuer as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide for a minimum assured return of principal or a minimum assured return of interest or other payments, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, howsoever

expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable) any such amount to be paid shall not be less than the present value of the minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4;

and in each case subject to all actions, conditions and things required to be taken, fulfilled and done (including the obtaining of any necessary consents) to ensure that the Securities represent legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substitute having been taken, fulfilled and done and being in full force and effect.

In the event of any substitution of the Issuer, any reference in the Conditions to the Issuer shall from such time be construed as a reference to the Substitute.

- (b) Substitution of Office. The Issuer shall have the right upon notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 to change the office through which it is acting and shall specify the date of such change in such notice.

9. TAXATION

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty, withholding or other similar payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Securities. In relation to each Security the relevant Holder shall pay all Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions. All payments or, as the case may be, deliveries in respect of the Securities will be subject in all cases to all applicable fiscal and other laws and regulations (including, where applicable, laws requiring the deduction or withholding for, or on account of, any tax duty or other charge whatsoever). The Holder shall be liable for and/or pay any tax, duty or charge in connection with the ownership of and/or any transfer, payment or delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Holder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable such amount, as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment.

10. REPLACEMENT OF SECURITIES AND COUPONS

If any Security or Coupon is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed it may be replaced at the specified office of the Principal Agent (or such other place of which notice shall have been given to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4) upon payment by the claimant of the expenses incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Securities and Coupons must be

surrendered before replacements will be issued. This General Condition will not apply to Securities issued in dematerialised form.

11. ADJUSTMENTS FOR EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION

- (a) Redenomination. The Issuer may, without the consent of any Holder, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 elect that, with effect from the Adjustment Date specified in such notice, certain terms of the Securities shall be redenominated in euro. The election will have effect as follows:
- (i) where the Settlement Currency is the National Currency Unit of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, such Settlement Currency shall be deemed to be an amount of euro converted from the original Settlement Currency into euro at the Established Rate, subject to such provisions (if any) as to rounding as the Issuer may decide and as may be specified in the notice, and after the Adjustment Date, all payments in respect of the Securities will be made solely in euro as though references in the Securities to the Settlement Currency were to euro;
 - (ii) where the Conditions contain a rate of exchange or any of the Conditions are expressed in a National Currency Unit (the “**Original Currency**”) of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, such rate of exchange and/or any other terms of the Conditions shall be deemed to be expressed in or, in the case of a rate of exchange, converted for or, as the case may be into, euro at the Established Rate; and
 - (iii) such other changes shall be made to the Conditions as the Issuer may decide to conform them to conventions then applicable to instruments expressed in euro.
- (b) Adjustment to Conditions. The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 make such adjustments to the Conditions as the Issuer may determine to be appropriate to account for the effect of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty on the Conditions.
- (c) Euro Conversion Costs. Notwithstanding General Condition 11(a) and/or General Condition 11(b), none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall be liable to any Holder or other person for any commissions, costs, losses or expenses in

relation to or resulting from the transfer of euro or any currency conversion or rounding effected in connection therewith.

- (d) Definitions Relating to European Economic and Monetary Union. In this General Condition, the following expressions have the meanings set out below.

“**Adjustment Date**” means a date specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Holders pursuant to this Condition which falls on or after the date on which the country of the Original Currency or, as the case may be, the Settlement Currency first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty;

“**Established Rate**” means the rate for the conversion of the Original Currency or, as the case may be, the Settlement Currency (including compliance with rules relating to rounding in accordance with applicable European community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to Article 123 of the Treaty;

“**National Currency Unit**” means the unit of the currency of a country as those units are defined on the day before the country first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty; and

“**Treaty**” means the treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

12. AGENTS

- (a) Principal Agent and Agents. The Issuer reserves the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of any Agent and to appoint further or additional Agents, provided that no termination of appointment of the principal agent (the “**Principal Agent**”) shall become effective until a replacement Principal Agent shall have been appointed and provided that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are listed on any stock exchange or publicly offered in any jurisdiction, there shall be an Agent having a specified office in each country required by the rules and regulation of each such stock exchange and each such jurisdiction and provided further that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are in registered form, there shall be a Registrar and a Transfer Agent (which may be the Registrar), if so specified in the relevant Product Conditions. Notice of any appointment, or termination of appointment, or any change in the specified office, of any Agent will be given to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. Each Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders or any of them. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the

Securities made by an Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Holders.

- (b) Calculation Agent. The Issuer or such other Calculation Agent as specified in the applicable Final Terms, shall undertake the duties of calculation agent (the “**Calculation Agent**” which expression shall include any successor calculation agent or assignee as approved by the Issuer) in respect of the Securities unless the Issuer decides to appoint a successor Calculation Agent in accordance with the provisions below.

The Issuer reserves the right at any time to appoint another institution as the Calculation Agent provided that no termination of appointment of the existing Calculation Agent shall become effective until a replacement Calculation Agent shall have been appointed. Notice of any termination or appointment will be given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

The Calculation Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by the Calculation Agent (whether or not the Issuer) shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Holders.

The Calculation Agent may, with the consent of the Issuer (if it is not the Issuer), delegate any of its obligations and functions to a third party as it deems appropriate.

13. SURRENDER OF UNMATURED COUPONS

Each Security should be presented for redemption, where applicable, together with all unmatured Coupons relating to it. Upon the due date for redemption of any Security, where applicable, all unmatured Coupons relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect thereof. This General Condition will not apply to Securities issued in dematerialised form.

14. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

No rights are conferred on any person under the English Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any Condition. The preceding sentence shall not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

15. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

- (a) The Securities and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Securities, are governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English law.
- (b) The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations) (a “**Dispute**”) arising from or in connection with the Securities).
- (c) Subparagraph (b) is for the benefit of the Holders only. As a result, nothing prevents any Holder from taking proceedings relating to a Dispute (“**Proceedings**”) in any other courts with jurisdiction. To the extent allowed by law, Holders may take concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.
- (d) The Issuer agrees that the courts of England are the most appropriate and convenient courts to settle any Dispute and, accordingly, that it will not argue to the contrary.

16. METHOD OF PAYMENT

For purposes of any payment on a Security, the Clearing Agents may not be United States persons, as defined for United States Federal income tax purposes, and their respective specified offices may not be located in the United States or any of its possessions. No payment on a Security shall be made by transfer to an account in the United States (including its possessions) or by cheque mailed to an address in the United States (including its possessions).

17. COMMISSIONS, FEES AND REBATES

From time to time, the Issuer may make payments or receive the benefit of payments in relation to the issue of Securities including the following:

- (a) The Issuer may pay to a distributor, sales agent or other intermediary fees or commissions. Such fees or commissions are generally required to be disclosed by distributors, sales agents or intermediaries which, in each case, are EEA investment firms or credit institutions to their clients. Each potential investor in the Securities should satisfy itself as to the amount of any fees or commissions received by intermediaries;
- (b) The Issuer may receive or pay management or other fees from or to third parties. Where such fees are payable, further details of them will be set out in the relevant Final Terms; and
- (c) The Issuer may make payments to or receive the benefit of generic commission, discount and rebate arrangements from Hedge Providers and other transaction

counterparties. Such arrangements will be as agreed between the Issuer and the third parties.

The Issuer reserves the right to retain any amounts received without any obligation to pass the benefit of the rebates to investors in the Securities.

18. EVENTS OF DEFAULT

If any one or more of the following events (each an “**Event of Default**”) shall occur and be continuing:

- (a) default is made for more than 30 days in the payment of interest or principal in respect of the Securities; or
- (b) the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Securities and such failure has continued for the period of 60 days next following the service on the Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (c) an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding up of the Issuer (excluding a solvent winding up solely for the purposes of a reconstruction, amalgamation, reorganisation, merger or consolidation in connection with which The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc or any of its subsidiaries assumes the obligations of the Issuer as principal debtor in respect of the Securities),

then any Holder may, by written notice to the Issuer at the specified office of the Principal Agent, effective upon the date of receipt thereof by the Principal Agent, declare the Security held by the holder to be forthwith due and payable whereupon the same shall become forthwith due and payable at the Early Redemption Amount (as defined below), together with accrued interest (if any) to the date of repayment, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind.

“**Early Redemption Amount**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such Event of Default. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable), any such amount to be paid under this General Condition shall not be less than the present value of such minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS RELATING TO COMMODITY WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

If the Securities are specified as Call Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Strike Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

If the Securities are specified as Put Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Strike Price} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Commodity” means the commodity specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such

jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or the quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final

Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Period**” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expiration Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Commodity quoted on the Reuters Page specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Commodity on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Minimum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Commodity are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of the Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the Exercise Date or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be

automatically exercised if (in the case of Call Warrants) the Final Reference Price is more than the Strike Price and (in the case of Put Warrants) the Strike Price is more than the Final Reference Price and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms and if an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period, it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.

- (b) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount.
- (c) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;
 - (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a

corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via

the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (l) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price of the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (b) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity, on the Exchange; or
- (d) Material Change in nature of or pricing method. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Commodity; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or

measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make such adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS AND
COMMODITY FUTURES CONTRACTS WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

If the Securities are specified as Call Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Strike Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

If the Securities are specified as Put Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Strike Price} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant

Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or the quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final

Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Period**” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expiration Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties, and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if Final Reference Price is not so specified, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Strike Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Price quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, adjusted for any reasonable market making spreads, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Minimum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Reference Asset**” means the Reference Asset specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Reference Asset Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the applicable Bloomberg page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt

(“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each of the series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the Exercise Date or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has

occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a

person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be

Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically exercised if (in the case of Call Warrants) the Final Reference Price is more than the Strike Price and (in the case of Put Warrants) the Strike Price is more than the Final Reference Price and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms and if an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.

- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a "Notice") to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;

- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;
 - (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.

- (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (k) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (b) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset, on the Exchange; or
- (d) Material Change in nature of or pricing method. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or

- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Reference Asset; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the Reference Asset Price on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make such adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger

the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS RELATING TO CURRENCY WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

If the Securities are specified as Call Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Strike Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

If the Securities are specified as Put Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Strike Price} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all

or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange Rate” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Period” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expiration Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if Final Reference Price is not so specified, an amount equal to the price of the Underlying FX Rate quoted on Screen Page at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Underlying FX Rate on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Minimum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of the Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Underlying FX Rate**” means the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the Exercise Date unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of

the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**”

means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) **Exercise.** The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically exercised if (in the case of Call Warrants) the Final Reference Price is more than the Strike Price and (in the case of Put Warrants) the Strike Price is more than the Final Reference Price and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms and if an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period, it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.
- (b) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount.

- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;
 - (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such

persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper

form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. If it becomes impossible to obtain the Underlying FX Rate on the Valuation Date in the inter-bank market; or
- (b) Governmental Default. If with respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (c) Inconvertibility/non-transferrability. The occurrence of any event which (i) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Underlying FX Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Strike Currency or (ii) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Strike Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Strike Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Strike Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (d) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalization or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Strike Currency; or

- (e) Illiquidity. Any impossibility in obtaining a firm quote for the Underlying FX Rate or the Strike Currency for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (f) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Underlying FX Rate.

The Calculation Agent may make such adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS RELATING TO FUND WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

If the Securities are specified as Call Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Strike Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

If the Securities are specified as Put Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Strike Price} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant

Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means, with respect to a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are

specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Period**” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expiration Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the NAV of the Fund as quoted by the fund manager of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, in each case for the Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of the relevant Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in each case for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Fund**” means the fund specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Fund Administrator**” means, in respect of the Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“Fund Adviser” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“Fund Documents” means, with respect to any Fund or Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Prospectus” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Service Provider” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Hedging Agreement” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“Inclusion Date” means (i) in respect of the Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“Integral Multiple” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Merger Event**” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Minimum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“Reference Asset” means the relevant interests specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, where the Reference Assets are not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Fund is not an exchange traded fund, the relevant interests in each Fund;

“Related Exchange” means, with respect to a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, an options or future exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Fund are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Party” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“Replacement Fund” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(b)(ii). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“Securities” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of the Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

(d) “**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Substitution Date**” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“**Trading Day**” means (i) in respect of a Fund, any day on which dealing in the Fund can take place (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, could have taken place) and (ii) in respect of a Fund that is an exchange traded fund any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the Exercise Date or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

(i) an Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated**”

Securities”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or

prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically exercised if (in the case of Call Warrants) the Final Reference Price is more than the Strike Price and (in the case of Put Warrants) the Strike Price is more than the Final Reference Price and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms and if a Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period, it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.

- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;
 - (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person

within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (h) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent

immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent, or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a

euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (l) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Fund Events. Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

- (i) Global Events:

- (A) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund’s portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset

allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

- (B) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.
- (C) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.
- (D) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed

under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.

- (E) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not

dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(a)(i)(E)(a) through 4(a)(i)(E)(f) above.

- (F) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (G) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (H) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
- (I) In respect of any Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (J) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that

which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Reference Assets held by them.

(K) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).

(L) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.

(ii) NAV/Price and Reporting:

(A) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Reference Assets on the Exchange.

(B) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund

from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.

- (C) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefor set out in such documents.
- (D) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.
- (E) (i) In respect of any Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the

Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Reference Assets).

(iii) Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Reference Assets occurs:

- (A) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (B) a portion of each Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of "side-pocket" which affects the Reference Assets;
- (C) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (D) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to

the currency of denomination of the Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund; or

(iv) Trading and Fees:

- (A) In respect of the Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Reference Assets as of such date).
- (B) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.
- (C) The frequency at which Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
- (D) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:
 - (I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or
 - (II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.

(v) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:

(A) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.

(B) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.

(C) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.

(D) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Reference Assets.

(vi) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in subparagraphs (i) to (v) above.

(b) Consequences of a Fund Event. In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then

continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a “**Permitted Action**”):

- (i) (A) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (B) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
- (ii) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (A) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (B) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (C) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or
- (iii) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iv) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (A) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (B) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (A) or (B) of this clause 4(b)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (C) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs

that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (A), (B) or (C), a “**Suspension Asset**”).

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(b), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

(c) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:

- (i) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.
- (ii) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such

equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.

- (iii) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.
- (d) The Issuer shall give notice in accordance with General Condition 4 of any calculation or determination made by it or the Calculation Agent pursuant to this Product Condition 4 as soon as practicable after it has been made. The Issuer shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such calculations and determinations.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO GOVERNMENT BOND FUTURES WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

If the Securities are specified as Call Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Strike Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

If the Securities are specified as Put Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Strike Price} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Coupon” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

(i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or

(iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

(iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or the quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be,

is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Period**” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expiration Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if Final Reference Price is not so specified, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Strike Currency) equal to the closing Reference Asset Price on the Exchange (Floor Trading) at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, adjusted for any reasonable market-making spreads, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Minimum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Reference Asset**” means the reference asset specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reference Asset Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the applicable Bloomberg page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Commodity are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt

(“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of the Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the Exercise Date or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has

occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the Exchange (Floor Trading) or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a

person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be

Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically exercised if (in the case of Call Warrants) the Final Reference Price is more than the Strike Price and (in the case of Put Warrants) the Strike Price is more than the Final Reference Price and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms and if an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period, it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.

- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;

- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;
 - (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.

- (h) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent, or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (k) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price) or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (b) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset, on the Exchange; or
- (d) Material Change in nature of or pricing method. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or

- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Reference Asset; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Launch Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Reference Asset on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Governmental Default. If with respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (j) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its

affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the Governmental Authority; or

- (k) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
- (l) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country to which the Reference Asset is in fact referenced.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS RELATING TO INDEX WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

If the Securities are specified as Call Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Strike Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

If the Securities are specified as Put Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Strike Price} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all

or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the **“Shares”**) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Period**” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expiration Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties, and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Strike Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maximum Exercise Number” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Minimum Exercise Number” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each of the series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Strike Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Strike Price” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Trading Day” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“Valuation Date” means the Exercise Date or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only Exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are Exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the

applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically Exercised if (in the case of Call Warrants) the Final Reference Price is more than the Strike Price and (in the case of Put Warrants) the Strike Price is more than the Final Reference Price and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.

- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;
 - (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an

individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent

immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a

euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (l) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index (as determined by the Calculation Agent) if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
- (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

(b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below:

(i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

(ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of: (aa) Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; or (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.
- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation

Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS RELATING TO SINGLE STOCK WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business and, if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day on which the Exchange is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if the Securities are specified as Cash Settled Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

If the Securities are specified as Call Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Strike Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

If the Securities are specified as Put Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Strike Price} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Delivery Details**” means, if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and where applicable, the account details and/or the name and address of any person into whose name evidence of the Share Amount is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing title are to be delivered;

“**Disruption Cash Settlement Price**” means, in relation to any Security which is specified as a Physical Delivery Security in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the fair market value of such Security on such day as shall be selected by the Issuer less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangement, all as determined by the Issuer;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or

occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

(iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the entitlement specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or the quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Period” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“Exercise Time” means time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expiration Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or

public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Minimum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Share are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of the Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Disruption Event” means, if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an event which, in the determination of the Issuer, is beyond the control of the Issuer and as a result of which the Issuer cannot make delivery of the Share Amount in accordance with such market method as it decides at the relevant time for delivery of the relevant Share Amount;

“Share” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and **“Shares”** shall be construed accordingly;

“Share Amount” means, if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the number of Shares specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, multiplied by the Entitlement. If the Share Amount is an amount comprising a fraction of any Share, the Holder will receive a Share Amount comprising the nearest whole number (rounded down) of Shares (taking into account that a Holder’s entire holding may be aggregated at the Issuer’s discretion for the purpose of delivering the relevant Share Amounts), and an amount in the Settlement Currency (determined using the Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is applicable) equal to the value of the outstanding undelivered fraction of such Share, as calculated by the Calculation Agent on the basis of the Final Reference Price;

“Share Company” means the company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the Exercise Date or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to the Share or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and

will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only Exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are Exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically Exercised if (in the case of Call Warrants) the Final Reference Price is more than the Strike Price and (in the case of Put Warrants) the Strike Price is more than the Final Reference Price and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if a Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period, it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.

- (b) **Settlement.** Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, either (i) if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Share Amount subject to payment of the Strike Price and any Expenses (“**Share Settlement**”) or (ii) if the Securities are specified as Cash Settled Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Cash Amount.
- (c) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Share Amount, Disruption Cash Settlement Price or Cash Amount, as applicable.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.

- (e) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, irrevocably instruct the Clearing Agent to debit on the Valuation Date a specified account with the Clearing Agent with the aggregate amount of the Strike Price and Expenses in respect of such Securities (together with any other amounts payable);

- (v) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount or, as the case may be, Disruption Cash Settlement Price and any dividends payable pursuant to Product Condition 3(o);
 - (vi) if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, include the Delivery Details;
 - (vii) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
 - (viii) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Late Delivery of Notice. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if the Notice is delivered to the relevant Clearing Agent or the copy is delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent after the close of business in the place of receipt on the

Exercise Date, then the Share Amount will be delivered as soon as practicable after the Settlement Date (the date of delivery in relation to a Share Amount whether on or after the Settlement Date being for the purposes of the Conditions the “**Delivery Date**”) in the manner provided below. For the avoidance of doubt, no holder of Securities or any other person shall be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, by reason of the Delivery Date for such Securities occurring after the Settlement Date due to such Notice (or the copy thereof) being delivered after close of business on the Exercise Date as provided above. In the event that a Holder does not, in respect of a Security which is to be redeemed by delivery of the Share Amount, deliver or procure delivery of a Notice as set out above, prior to the date that is 30 calendar days after the Settlement Date, the Issuer shall have the right but not the obligation to sell the Shares comprised in the Share Amount in respect of such Security in the open market or otherwise at a price determined by the Issuer, in its sole discretion, to be the fair market value of the Shares multiplied by the Entitlement (if an Entitlement is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) and shall hold the proceeds (the “**Realised Share Amount**”) for the account of the relevant Holder, until presentation of the relevant Notice. Upon payment of the Realised Share Amount as aforesaid, the Issuer’s obligations in respect of such Security shall be discharged.

- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Delivery of the Share Amount. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and subject as provided in the Conditions, the delivery of the Share Amount shall be made at the risk of the relevant Holder and shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as the Issuer determines to be customary for the Shares or in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to register or procure the registration of any Holder or any other person as the registered shareholder in respect of the Shares comprised in any Share Amount in the register of members of the Share Company.
- (i) Settlement. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and subject as provided in the Conditions and to payment to it of the Strike Price and any applicable Expenses, the Issuer shall deliver or cause delivery of the Share Amount for such duly exercised Securities on the Settlement Date, such delivery to be made at the risk

of the relevant Holder. The Share Amount shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as the Issuer determines to be customary for the Shares or in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to register or procure the registration of any Holder or any other person as the registered shareholder in respect of the Shares comprised in any Share Amount in the register of members of the Share Company.

If the Securities are specified as Cash Settled Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.

- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent, or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Expenses. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, all Expenses in respect of each Security shall be for the account of the relevant Holder and any delivery and/or transfer of any Share Amount shall not be made until all Expenses in respect thereof have been paid to the satisfaction of the Issuer.
- (m) Settlement Disruption. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if prior to delivery of the Share Amount in respect thereof, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting, then the Settlement Date for such Security shall be postponed to the first following Business Day on which no Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting.

For so long as delivery of any Share Amount is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event then, in lieu of Share Settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Security by payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price not later than on the third Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. Payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred.

No Holder or any other person shall be entitled to any payment in respect of a Security in the event of any delay in the delivery of any Share Amount relating thereto due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer.

- (n) Intervening Period. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, for such period of time after the Exercise Date as the Issuer or any person on behalf of the Issuer shall continue to be the legal owner of the Shares comprising the relevant Share Amount (the “**Intervening Period**”), neither the Issuer nor any other such person shall (i) be

under any obligation to deliver or procure delivery to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person any letter, certificate, notice, circular or any other document or payment whatsoever received by that person in its capacity as the holder of such Shares, (ii) be under any obligation to exercise or procure exercise of any or all rights (including voting rights) attaching to such Shares during the Intervening Period or (iii) be under any liability to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person in respect of any loss or damage which the relevant Holder or subsequent beneficial owner or any other person may sustain or suffer as a result, whether directly or indirectly, of the Issuer or any other such person being the legal owner of such Shares during such Intervening Period.

- (o) Dividends. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any dividend in respect of any Share Amount to be delivered will be payable to the party that would receive such dividend according to market practice for a sale of the Shares executed on the Exercise Date and to be delivered in the same manner as such Share Amount. Any such dividend to be paid to a Holder shall be paid to the account specified in the relevant Notice.
- (p) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (q) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount paid in connection with the Securities will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in

accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (r) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Share on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:
- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
 - (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
 - (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related

Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer, a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Determination Date.

“Nationalisation” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company, (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS RELATING TO STOCK BASKET WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business and, if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day on which the Exchange is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

If the Securities are specified as Call Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Strike Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

If the Securities are specified as Put Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Strike Price} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Closing Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Share, the price as quoted at the close of trading on the Exchange as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of such Share having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share and such other markets factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Delivery Details**” means, if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and where applicable, the account details and/or the name and address of any person into whose name evidence of the Share Amount is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing title are to be delivered;

“**Disruption Cash Settlement Price**” means, in relation to any Security which is specified as a Physical Delivery Security in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the fair market value of such Security on such day as shall be selected by the Issuer less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangement, all as determined by the Issuer;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to,

(A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

(iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the

Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or the quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Period” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expiration Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the sum of the products of the following calculations performed in relation to each Share in the Basket:

Closing Price x Weight;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Minimum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the

Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of the Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Disruption Event**” means, if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an event which, in the determination of the Issuer, is beyond the control of the Issuer and as a result of which the Issuer cannot make delivery of the Share Amount in accordance with such market method as it decides at the relevant time for delivery of the relevant Share Amount;

“**Share**” means each of the Shares specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Amount**” means, if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in relation to each Share the number of Shares specified as such in the definition of Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final

Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, multiplied by the Entitlement. If the Share Amount is an amount comprising a fraction of any Share, the Holder will receive a Share Amount comprising the nearest whole number (rounded down) of Shares (taking into account that a Holder's entire holding may be aggregated at the Issuer's discretion for the purpose of delivering the relevant Share Amounts), and an amount in the Settlement Currency (determined using the Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is applicable) equal to the value of the outstanding undelivered fraction of such Share, as calculated by the Calculation Agent on the basis of the Final Reference Price;

“Share Company” means for each Share the share company specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Strike Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Strike Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Trading Day” means, with respect to the basket, any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on all the Exchanges and any Related Exchanges other than a day on which trading on the Exchanges or any Related Exchanges is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“Valuation Date” means the Exercise Date or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Share in which case, in respect of such Share, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Weight**” means, if the Securities are specified as Cash Settled Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in relation to each Share, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the number specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be

automatically exercised if (in the case of Call Warrants) the Final Reference Price is more than the Strike Price and (in the case of Put Warrants) the Strike Price is more than the Final Reference Price and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms and if an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period, it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.

- (b) Settlement. Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, either (i) if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Share Amount subject to payment of the Strike Price and any Expenses (“**Share Settlement**”) or (ii) if the Securities are specified as Cash Settled Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Cash Amount.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Share Amount, Disruption Cash Settlement Price or Cash Amount, as applicable.
- (e) The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.
- (f) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;

- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) if the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, irrevocably instruct the Clearing Agent to debit on the Valuation Date a specified account with the Clearing Agent with the aggregate amount of the Strike Price and Expenses in respect of such Securities (together with any other amounts payable);
- (v) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount or, as the case may be, Disruption Cash Settlement Price and any dividends payable pursuant to Product Condition 3(o);
- (vi) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
- (vii) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (g) Late Delivery of Notice. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if the Notice is delivered to the relevant Clearing Agent or the copy is delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent after the close of business in the place of receipt on the Exercise Date, then the Share Amount will be delivered as soon as practicable after the Settlement Date (the date of delivery in relation to a Share Amount whether on or after the Settlement Date being for the purposes of the Conditions the “**Delivery Date**”) in the manner provided below. For the avoidance of doubt, no holder of Securities or any other person shall be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, by reason of the Delivery Date for such Securities occurring after the Settlement Date due to such Notice (or the copy thereof) being delivered after close of business on the Exercise Date as provided above. In the event that a Holder does not, in respect of a Security which is to be redeemed by delivery of the Share Amount, deliver or procure delivery of a Notice as set out above, prior to the date that is 30 calendar days after the Settlement Date, the Issuer shall have the right but not the obligation to sell the Shares comprised in the Share Amount in respect of such Security in the open market or otherwise at a price determined by the Issuer, in its sole discretion, to be the fair market value of the Shares multiplied by the Entitlement (if an Entitlement is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) and shall hold the proceeds (the “**Realised Share Amount**”) for the account of the relevant Holder, until presentation of the relevant Notice. Upon payment of the Realised Share Amount as aforesaid, the Issuer’s obligations in respect of such Security shall be discharged.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Delivery of the Share Amount. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and subject as provided in the Conditions, the delivery of the Share Amount shall be made at the risk of the relevant Holder and shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as the Issuer determines to be customary for the Shares or in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to register or procure the registration of any Holder or any other person as the registered shareholder in respect of the Shares comprised in any Share Amount in the register of members of the Share Company.

- (j) Settlement. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and subject as provided in the Conditions and to payment to it of the Strike Price and any applicable Expenses, the Issuer shall deliver or cause delivery of the Share Amount for such duly exercised Securities on the Settlement Date, such delivery to be made at the risk of the relevant Holder. The Share Amount shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as the Issuer determines to be customary for the Shares or in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to register or procure the registration of any Holder or any other person as the registered shareholder in respect of the Shares comprised in any Share Amount in the register of members of the Share Company.

If the Securities are specified as Cash Settled Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.

- (k) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (l) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (m) Expenses. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, all Expenses in respect of each Security shall be for the account of the relevant Holder and any delivery and/or transfer of any Share Amount shall not be made until all Expenses in respect thereof have been paid to the satisfaction of the Issuer.
- (n) Settlement Disruption. If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and if prior to delivery of the Share Amount in respect thereof, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting, then the Settlement Date for such Security shall be postponed to the first following Business Day on which no Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting.

For so long as delivery of any Share Amount is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event then, in lieu of Share Settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Security by payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price not later than on the third Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. Payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred.

No Holder or any other person shall be entitled to any payment in respect of a Security in the event of any delay in the delivery of any Share Amount relating

thereto due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer.

- (o) **Intervening Period.** If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, for such period of time after the Exercise Date as the Issuer or any person on behalf of the Issuer shall continue to be the legal owner of the Shares comprising the relevant Share Amount (the “**Intervening Period**”), neither the Issuer nor any other such person shall (i) be under any obligation to deliver or procure delivery to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person any letter, certificate, notice, circular or any other document or payment whatsoever received by that person in its capacity as the holder of such Shares, (ii) be under any obligation to exercise or procure exercise of any or all rights (including voting rights) attaching to such Shares during the Intervening Period or (iii) be under any liability to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person in respect of any loss or damage which the relevant Holder or subsequent beneficial owner or any other person may sustain or suffer as a result, whether directly or indirectly, of the Issuer or any other such person being the legal owner of such Shares during such Intervening Period.
- (p) **Dividends.** If the Securities are specified as Physical Delivery Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any dividend in respect of any Share Amount to be delivered will be payable to the party that would receive such dividend according to market practice for a sale of the Shares executed on the Exercise Date and to be delivered in the same manner as such Share Amount. Any such dividend to be paid to a Holder shall be paid to the account specified in the relevant Notice.
- (q) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (r) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account

specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (s) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise): (A) the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are traded; or (B) any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Share on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced

change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
- (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (A) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (B) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (aa) such Shares, or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (E) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (F) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (G) any other

similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

(c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (1), (2) or (3) below:

(1) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or

(2) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

(3) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions,

which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (1) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (2) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (3) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer, a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (1) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (2) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS RELATING TO INDEX BASKET WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses.

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means (if any) the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system from which each Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Period” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expiration Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties, and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Basket Level” means, unless for the relevant Series “Final Basket Level” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount in respect of each Index (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Strike Currency) equal to the arithmetic mean of the levels of such Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Dates as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Index” means each index specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a

regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Basket Level**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Initial Basket Level” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Initial Reference Price” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the level specified as such in the definition of the Basket or in the definition specified as such in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Minimum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so required;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each of the series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Strike Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Price**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Strike Price” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Trading Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; “**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means (if applicable) for each Index, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket in the applicable Final Terms.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and

binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions,

the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only Exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are Exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically Exercised if in the case of Call Warrants or in the case of Put Warrants the calculation of the Cash Amount is greater than zero and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.
- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount.

- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;
 - (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such

persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (h) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of

gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index (as determined by the Calculation Agent) if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
- (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) **Adjustments to Index.** The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below:
- (i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a

successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

- (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of: (aa) Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the

prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. Per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; or (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.
- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS RELATING TO INFLATION INDEX WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the

Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Period**” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expiration Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties, and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Minimum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so required;

“**Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Strike Currency) equal to the level of the Index for the relevant Valuation Month, published by the Index Sponsor, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index for the relevant Valuation Month having regard to the last published level of the Index and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Relevant Number of Months**” means the number of months specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each of the series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Price**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Strike Price” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4; and

“**Valuation Month**” means each month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred with respect to any month in which case that Valuation Month shall be the first succeeding calendar month for which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Months immediately following the original month which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Month. In that case (i) the last month of the Relevant Number of Months shall be deemed to be the Valuation Month (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the level of the Index having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last published level of the Index and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and

binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions,

the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only Exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are Exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically Exercised if in the case of Call Warrants or in the case of Put Warrants the calculation of the Cash Amount is greater than zero and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.
- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount.

- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;
 - (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such

persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (g) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (h) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper

form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (i) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (j) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (k) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (l) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

A “**Market Disruption Event**” means the Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce the level of the Index.

- (b) **Adjustments to Index.** The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), or (iii) below:

(i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced in its usual way but is calculated and published in a different way but in a way acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the relevant Index, then (in either case) the relevant Index will be deemed to be the Index so calculated and announced by that successor index, as the case may be.

(ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Month there is a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or the Index Sponsor in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events) then the Calculation Agent shall (a) determine the Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner or (b) shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or (c) shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

(iii) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without

considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the relevant exchange.

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS RELATING TO INFLATION INDEX WARRANTS II

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

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“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the

Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Period**” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expiration Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties, and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

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“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interim Amount**” means, if “Interim Payment” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interim Payment Date, an

amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interim Payment Dates**” means, if “Interim Payment” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

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Month having regard to the last published level of the Index and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

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“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

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“**Valuation Month**” means each month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred with respect to any month in which case that Valuation Month shall be the first succeeding calendar month for which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Months immediately following the original month which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Month. In that case (i) the last month of the Relevant Number of Months shall be deemed to be the Valuation Month (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the level of the Index having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last published level of the Index and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant.

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- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by

a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which

is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

2. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only Exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are Exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(f) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically Exercised if in the case of Call Warrants or in the case of Put Warrants the calculation of the Cash Amount is greater than zero and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(f) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period it shall

be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.

- (b) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount.
- (c) **Interim Payment.** If “Interim Payment” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on each Interim Payment Date, the Interim Amount (if applicable).
- (d) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount or Interim Amount.
- (f) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;
 - (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal

place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such

correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable).

All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (m) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

3. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

A “**Market Disruption Event**” means the Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce the level of the Index.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), or (iii) below:
 - (i) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced in its usual way but is calculated and published in a different way but in a way acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the relevant Index, then (in either case) the relevant Index will be deemed to be the Index so calculated and announced by that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Month there is a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or the Index Sponsor in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events) then the Calculation Agent shall (a) determine the Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner or (b) shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated

and announced or (c) shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the relevant exchange.
- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

4. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO CERTIFICATE WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

If the Securities are specified as Call Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Strike Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

If the Securities are specified as Put Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$(\text{Strike Price} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$$

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all

or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means, with respect to each Underlying, the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Date” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Period**” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expiration Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the Underlying value as quoted by the manager of the Underlying for the Valuation Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such NAV can be determined and no Underlying Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the NAV of the Underlying for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Integral Multiple**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means a market disruption event as defined in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Maximum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Minimum Exercise Number**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Participation Rate**” means, with respect to each Warrant, 1 such participation rate as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Potential Adjustment Event**” means a potential adjustment event as defined in Product Condition 4;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of the Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which dealing in the Underlying takes place; and

“**Underlying**” means the Underlying specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Underlying Disruption Event**” means any of a Market Disruption Event or Potential Adjustment Event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Underlying Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Valuation Date**” means the Exercise Date or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Underlying Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Underlying Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Underlying Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Underlying Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Underlying Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the official close of trading on the Exchange unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated

securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which

no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically exercised if (in the case of Call Warrants) the Final Reference Price is more than the Strike Price and (in the case of Put Warrants) the Strike Price is more than the Final Reference Price and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms and if an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(e) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period, it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.

- (b) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount.
- (c) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (d) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (e) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount;

- (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (f) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
 - (g) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
 - (h) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant

Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that an Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent, or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

- (i) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (j) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency;

where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (k) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with a the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “Market Disruption Event” means:
 - (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Underlying on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Underlyings are traded; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Underlyings on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
 - (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced

change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the issuer of the Underlying of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Underlying and, if so, will:
 - (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Underlying traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Underlying.

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any Underlying Disruption Event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger

the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS RELATING TO REFERENCE RATE WARRANTS

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula, less Expenses:

If the Securities are specified as Call Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$\text{Entitlement} \times \text{Max} (\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Strike Price}, 0)$$

If the Securities are specified as Put Warrants in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:

$$\text{Entitlement} \times \text{Max} (\text{Strike Price} - \text{Final Reference Price}, 0)$$

The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Denomination” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Strike Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Strike Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, if the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Expiration Date or, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any Business Day within the Exercise Period upon which the Notice is, or, as the case may be, is deemed to have been delivered to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Period” means, if the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period running from (but excluding) the Issue Date to (and including) the Exercise Time on the Expiration Date;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expiration Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties, and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Reference Rate at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to information published on the Screen Page without regard to any subsequently published correction provided that if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on the Valuation Date, then the Final Reference Price will be the Reference Rate as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Integral Multiple” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interim Amount” means, if “Interim Payment” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interim Period and each Denomination, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

Denomination x Interim Rate x Interim Rate Day Count Fraction;

“Interim Payment Dates” means, if “Interim Payment” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interim Period” means, if “Interim Payment” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interim Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interim Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interim Payment Date;

“Interim Rate” means, if “Interim Payment” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interim Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interim Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interim Payment” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that the Interim Amount shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maximum Exercise Number” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Minimum Exercise Number” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so required;

“**Reference Banks**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, such number of leading dealers in the London interbank market which ordinarily provide quotes for the Reference Rate, or any other rate requested by the Calculation Agent pursuant to Product Condition 4, as is specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, which Reference Banks shall be selected by the Issuer in its absolute discretion;

“**Reference Rate**” means each rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the Screen Page (if any), unless in the determination of the Calculation Agent a Market Disruption Event has occurred, in which case the Reference Rate shall be calculated in accordance with Product Condition 4 and “**Reference Rates**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Screen Page**” means each of the pages specified as such in the definition of Reference Rate in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and “**Screen Pages**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the warrants specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such warrant a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each of the series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Strike Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Strike Price**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Valuation Date**” means the Exercise Date unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price in accordance with Product Condition 4; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a Global Security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with

respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of,

Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. The Holder may Exercise the Securities in amounts divisible wholly by the Integral Multiple provided that (i) if a Minimum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, at least such Minimum Exercise Number of Securities must be Exercised at the same time and (ii) if a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms, no more than such Maximum Exercise Number of Securities may be Exercised at the same time. If the Securities are specified as European Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are only Exercisable on the Exercise Date. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities are Exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(f) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Exercise Date shall (i) if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be automatically Exercised if in the case of Call Warrants or in the case of Put Warrants the calculation of the Cash Amount is greater than zero and (ii) if Automatic Exercise is not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be void. If the Securities are specified as American Style Securities in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and an Notice is delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(f) after the Exercise Time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period it shall be deemed to have been delivered prior to the Exercise Time on the Business Day following the actual day of delivery.
- (b) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due or, if applicable, deemed Exercise and subject to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on the Settlement Date, the Cash Amount
- (c) Interim Payment. If “Interim Payment” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer, on each Interim Payment Date, the Interim Amount (if applicable). The Interim Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interim Rate, Interim Period and the Interim Period Day Count Fraction and is

payable on each Interim Payment Date. Any Securities with respect to which no Notice has been delivered in the manner set out in Product Condition 3(f) at or prior to the Exercise Time on the Interim Payment Date shall, if Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to have a duly completed Notice.

- (d) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (e) **General.** In the absence of gross negligent or willful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount or Interim Amount.
- (f) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a "**Notice**") to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent. A Notice shall:
 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Cash Amount and/or Interim Amount (if any);
 - (v) certify that neither the person exercising the Securities nor any person on whose behalf the Securities are being exercised is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, "**U.S. person**" means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of

the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per Cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (g) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (h) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount and/or Interim Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (i) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Except where Automatic Exercise is specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are automatically exercised in accordance with Product Condition 3(a), any Security with respect to which the

Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3(a) shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent, or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (j) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Holder to exercise the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (k) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (l) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (m) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection

with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

A “**Market Disruption Event**” means the situation in which a Reference Rate is not available on the relevant Screen Page, in which case the relevant rate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent, on the basis of quotations for the relevant rate or such other related rate as the Calculation Agent shall in its sole and absolute discretion specify provided by the Reference Banks at the Valuation Time for the relevant Business Day. The Issuer will request the principal London office of each of the Reference Banks to provide a quotation of the relevant rate. The relevant rate will be the arithmetic mean of the quotations, eliminating the highest quotation (or in the event of equality, one of the highest) and the lowest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest) if more than three quotations are provided. If it is not possible to obtain quotations of the relevant rate by at least three of the Reference Banks then the Calculation Agent will determine the relevant Reference Rate at its sole and absolute discretion, which determination may be delayed for up to 180 days following the occurrence of an Emerging Market Disruption Event.

- (b) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

FORM OF FINAL TERMS

DATED []



The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.

(incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam)

[NUMBER] [UNDERLYING] [TYPE OF PRODUCT] [WARRANTS]

[INDICATIVE] ISSUE PRICE: [] []

[SECURITIES WITH ROLLOVER FEATURE ADMITTED TO TRADING ON SCOACH SWITZERLAND LTD. AND LISTED ON SIX SWISS EXCHANGE LTD. ONLY: THESE SECURITIES PROVIDE FOR A DYNAMIC STRUCTURE WITH REGARD TO AN ADJUSTMENT OF THE UNDERLYING] [SPECIFY OTHER]

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES, AND MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM, OR IN A TRANSACTION NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES DO NOT CONSTITUTE UNITS OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SWISS FEDERAL ACT ON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES ("CISA") AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF, OR SUPERVISION BY THE SWISS FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY ("FINMA"). HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES ARE EXPOSED TO THE CREDIT RISK OF THE ISSUER.

FINAL TERMS

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the General Conditions and the Product Conditions applicable to each Series of Securities described herein (the “relevant Product Conditions”) as set forth in the Base Prospectus relating to Warrants dated 9 September 2010 (the “Base Prospectus”) as supplemented from time to time which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC) (the “Prospectus Directive”). This document constitutes the Final Terms of each Series of the Securities described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and must be read in conjunction with the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. Full information on the Issuer and each Series of the Securities described herein is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. The Base Prospectus as so supplemented is available for viewing at the office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom and copies may be obtained from the Issuer at that address.

These Final Terms relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the relevant Product Conditions contained in the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. These Final Terms, the relevant Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of each Series of the Securities described herein and will be attached to the Global Security representing each such Series of the Securities. In the event of any inconsistency between these Final Terms and the General Conditions or the relevant Product Conditions, these Final Terms will govern.

In respect of Securities to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Programme, together with any Final Terms, will constitute the listing prospectus pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

The Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets has provided the [names of competent authorities of host Member States] with a certificate of approval attesting that the Base Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.

So far as the Issuer is aware, no person (other than the Issuer in its separate capacities as Issuer and Calculation Agent, see “Risk Factors – Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the Underlying” and “Risk Factors – Actions taken by the Issuer may affect the value of the Securities” in the Base Prospectus) involved in the issue of the Warrants has an interest material to the offer. [NB: Amend as appropriate if there are interests]

Issuer:

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., acting through [its

principal office at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands][its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA][*other*]

Clearing Agents: [Clearstream Banking AG]
[Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (Euroclear Netherlands)]
[Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as operator of the Euroclear system]
[Clearstream Banking, société anonyme]
[SIS SIX Ltd.]
[*Other*]

Subscription Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Launch Date: []

As, if and when issued trading: [] [Not Applicable]

Issue Date: []

Listing: [] [the Securities will be listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. and admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd.]

Listing Date: []

Admission to trading: [Application has been made for the Securities to be admitted to trading on [] with effect from [].]
[Application has been made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Securities to be listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. and admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd., provided that no assurance can be given that the Securities will be admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. or listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. on the Issue Date or any specific date thereafter.] [Securities listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. may be suspended from trading in accordance with Article 57 of the SIX Listing Rules or be de-listed from SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. during the lifetime of the Securities.] [No application for admission to trading has been made.]

Announcements to Holders: Delivered to Clearing Agents

Principal Agent: [The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA]

Agent(s): [ABN AMRO Bank N.V. MF 2020 Kemelstede 2, P.O. Box 3200, 4800 DE Breda, The Netherlands][Citibank International Plc, Netherlands Branch, Global Transaction Services, Hoge Mosten 2, 4822 NH Breda, The Netherlands]

Calculation Agent: [The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom]

Indication of yield: Not Applicable

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not

be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities

Form of the Securities:	[Global Security] [Dematerialised form] [Global Security transformed into Intermediated Securities] (<i>Only applicable to Securities where the Clearing Agent is SIX SIS Ltd</i>) Dematerialised Securities transformed into Intermediated Securities] (<i>Only applicable to Securities where the Clearing Agent is SIX SIS Ltd</i>)
<i>Securities admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.:</i>	<i>[Delete the following sections if Securities will not be admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.]</i>
First Trading Day:	[specify other] [the Issue Date]
Last Trading Day:	[] [trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. until official close of trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. on that day]
Minimum Trading Size:	[]
Payment Date:	[Issue Date]] [not applicable]
Type of quoting (in case of interest component)	[flat/dirty trading or clean trading][Not Applicable]
Minimum Exercise	[]
Governing Law	The Securities are subject to English law
Jurisdiction	The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or in connection with the Securities
Swiss Agent	The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland, phone +41 44 285 58 58, fax +41 44 285 56 16
Recognised Representative for the purpose of Article 43 Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd:	The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland, phone +41 44 285 58 58, fax +41 44 285 56 16
Paying Agent	The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. acting through its principal office at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Announcements to Holders / Publications	Any notices or publications to be made to Holders will

be made through the online information system of SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd., by publishing on SIX Swiss Exchange's website http://www.six-exchange-regulation.com/publications/communiques/official_notices_en.html.

Issue Size of Series or Number of [].
Securities

COMMODITY WARRANTS

Series:	[Commodity] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
American Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Automatic Exercise:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Call Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Cash Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Commodity:	[Gold][Platinum][Silver][Other - specify]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Time:	[12.00pm] Central European Time
Expiration Date:	[]
European Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Integral Multiple:	[]
Minimum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Maximum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Put Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Reuters Page:	[XAUFIX=] ¹ [XPTFIX=] ² [XAGFIX=] ³ [Other – specify]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Strike Currency:	[]
Strike Price:	[]

¹ For Gold
² For Platinum
³ For Silver

Valuation Time: [The time of the London [morning]⁴ [daily]⁵ fixing price for the Commodity]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

WKN: []

Valoren: []

Other Securities Code: []

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("**Securities Act**") and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

⁴ For Gold and Platinum
⁵ For Silver

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and []
future performance of the Underlying and
its volatility can be obtained:

Series: [Commodity] [American][European] [Call][Put]
Warrants Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

**COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS AND COMMODITY FUTURES CONTRACTS
WARRANTS**

Series:	<i>[Commodity Futures] [Commodity Forward] [American] [European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None][specify]
American Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Automatic Exercise:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Call Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Cash Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Contract Factor Bloomberg Page:	[]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Time:	[12.00pm] Central European Time
Expiration Date:	[]
European Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Final Reference Price:	[]
Integral Multiple:	[]
Maximum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Minimum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Put Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Reference Asset:	[]
Reference Asset Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Strike Currency:	[]
Strike Price:	[]
Valuation Time:	[The close of trading on the Exchange]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:

[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN:

[]

Common Code:

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WKN:

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Valoren:

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Other Securities Code:

[] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction:

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("Securities Act") and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series:

*[Commodity Futures] [American][European]
[Call][Put] Warrants Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

CURRENCY WARRANTS

Series:	[Currency] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None][specify]
American Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Automatic Exercise:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Call Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Cash Amount	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Entitlement:	[]
Exercise Time:	[12.00pm] Central European Time
Expiration Date:	[]
European Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Final Reference Price:	[] [Screen Page: Reuters Page EURO FX/1]
Integral Multiple:	[]
Minimum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Maximum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Put Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Strike Currency:	[]
Strike Price:	[]
Underlying FX Rate:	[]
Valuation Time:	[]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing

system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []
Common Code: []
WKN: []
Valoren: []
Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained: []

Series: [Currency] [American][European] [Call][Put]
Warrants Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

FUND WARRANTS

Series:	[Fund] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Fund Events:	[None][specify]
American Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Automatic Exercise:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Call Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Cash Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[] [Not Applicable]
Exercise Time:	[12.00pm] Central European Time
Expiration Date:	[]
European Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Integral Multiple:	[]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Fund:	[] (Bloomberg Page: [])
Minimum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Maximum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Put Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Reference Asset:	[] (ISIN: []; Bloomberg Page: [])
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Strike Currency:	[]
Strike Price:	[]
Valuation Time:	[The close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Reference Asset where the Fund is an exchange traded fund] [specify other]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: [Fund] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

GOVERNMENT BOND FUTURES WARRANTS

Series:	[Government Bond] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None][specify]
American Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Automatic Exercise:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Call Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Cash Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Time:	[12.00pm] Central European Time
Expiration Date:	[]
European Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Final Reference Price:	[]
Integral Multiple:	[]
Minimum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Maximum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Put Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Reference Asset:	[] (Bloomberg Page: [])
Reference Asset Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Reference Asset Price Bloomberg Page:	[]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Strike Currency:	[]
Strike Price:	[]
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Series: *[Government Bond] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX WARRANTS

Series:	<i>[Index] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None][specify]
American Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Automatic Exercise:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Call Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Cash Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Time:	[12.00pm] Central European Time
Expiration Date:	[]
European Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Index:	[] (Bloomberg Code: [])
Integral Multiple:	[]
Maximum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Minimum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Put Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Strike Currency:	[]
Strike Price:	[]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's;

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Series: *[Index] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

SINGLE STOCK WARRANTS

Series:	<i>[Single Stock] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None][specify]
American Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Automatic Exercise:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Call Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Cash Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Cash Settled Securities:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Dividends:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Time:	[12.00pm] Central European Time
Expiration Date:	[]
European Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Integral Multiple:	[]
Minimum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Maximum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Physical Delivery Securities:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Put Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date
Share:	[ordinary] shares of the Share Company (ISIN: [])
Share Amount:	[] [Not Applicable]
Share Company:	[]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Strike Currency:	[]
Strike Price:	[]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:

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Series:

[Single Stock] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

STOCK BASKET WARRANTS

Series:	<i>[Stock Basket] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []</i>		
Issue Price:	[]		
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None][specify]		
American Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]		
Automatic Exercise:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]		
Basket:			
Shares	Share Company	ISIN	[Share Amount][Weight]
[]	[]	[]	[]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Call Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]		
Cash Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Cash Settled Securities:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]		
Closing Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Dividends:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]		
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Entitlement:	[]		
Exchange:	[]		
Exercise Time:	[12.00pm] Central European Time		
Expiration Date:	[]		
European Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]		
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Integral Multiple:	[]		
Minimum Exercise Number:	[][Not Applicable]		
Maximum Exercise Number:	[][Not Applicable]		
Physical Delivery Securities:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]		
Put Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]		
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]		
Settlement Currency:	[]		
Settlement Date:	The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date		
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>		
Strike Currency:	[]		

Strike Price: []

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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INDEX BASKET WARRANTS

Series: *[Index Basket] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None][specify]

American Style: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Automatic Exercise: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Basket:

[“Index”	“Initial Reference Price”	“Strike Currency”	“Weight”
[specify each Index and Bloomberg Code]	[]	[]	[Specify percentage weight][Not Applicable]

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Call Warrants: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Cash Amount: []

Emerging Market Disruption Events [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: []

Exercise Time: [12.00pm] Central European Time

Expiration Date: []

European Style: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Final Basket Level:
$$\left[\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \times \frac{S_{i,T}}{S_{i,0}} \right]$$

Where:

“W_i” = Weight;

“S_{i,0}” = Initial Reference Price;

“S_{i,T}” = Final Reference Price; and

“n” = The number of Indexes comprised in the basket, where n=8]

[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Final Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Initial Basket Level: [] [Not Applicable]

Initial Reference Price: [See definition of basket]

[An amount in respect of each Index (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Strike Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the

Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant]

[Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Integral Multiple: []
Maximum Exercise Number: [] [Not Applicable]
Minimum Exercise Number: [] [Not Applicable]
Pricing Date(s): [] [Not Applicable]
Put Warrants: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]
Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency: []
Settlement Date: The [fifth] Business Day following the [final] Valuation Date
Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]
Strike Price: [Not Applicable] []
Trading Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]
Valuation Date(s) []
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Series: *[Index Basket] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []*

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INFLATION INDEX WARRANTS

Series: *[Index] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None][*specify*]

American Style: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Automatic Exercise: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Call Warrants: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Cash Amount: [Entitlement x Max $\{[(CPI_t/CPI_0)-1], 0\}$]

Where:

“CPI_t” = The Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the year []

“CPI₀” = The Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the year []

[*specify other*]

Entitlement: []

Exercise Time: [12.00pm] Central European Time

Expiration Date: []

European Style: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Index: [[Index] published on a [monthly] [other] basis by the [], as displayed on Bloomberg page: ‘[] <Index>’ (or such other page as may replace that page, or such other information service as may be selected by the Calculation Agent, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, for the purpose of displaying the index)] [*specify other*]]

Integral Multiple: []

Maximum Exercise Number: [] [Not Applicable]

Minimum Exercise Number: [] [Not Applicable]

Pricing Date(s): [] [Not Applicable]

Put Warrants: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Reference Price: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Months: [2] [*specify other*]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: The earlier of (a) [] or (b) the [fifth] Business Day following the calculation and announcement of the Reference Price for Valuation Month []

Strike Currency: []

Strike Price: [] [Not Applicable]

Valuation Month(s): []

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Series: [Index] [American] [European] [Call] [Put] Warrants Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INFLATION INDEX WARRANTS II

Series:	<i>[Index] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None][<i>specify</i>]
American Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Automatic Exercise:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Call Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Cash Amount:	[Entitlement x Max {(CPIt/CPI0)-1}, 0]
	Where:
	“CPIt” = The Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the year []
	“CPI0” = The Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the year []
	[<i>specify other</i>]
Entitlement:	[]
Exercise Time:	[12.00pm] Central European Time
Expiration Date:	[]
European Style:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Index:	[[Index] published on a [monthly] [other] basis by the [], as displayed on Bloomberg page: ‘[] <Index>’ (or such other page as may replace that page, or such other information service as may be selected by the Calculation Agent, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, for the purpose of displaying the index)] [<i>specify other</i>]
Integral Multiple:	[]
Interim Amount:	[]
Interim Payment:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Interim Payment Date(s):	[]
Maximum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Minimum Exercise Number:	[] [Not Applicable]
Pricing Date(s):	[] [Not Applicable]
Put Warrants:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Number of Months:	[2] [<i>specify other</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]

Settlement Date: The earlier of (a) [] or (b) the [fifth] Business Day following the calculation and announcement of the Reference Price for Valuation Month []

Strike Currency: []

Strike Price: [] [Not Applicable]

Valuation Month(s): []

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

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its volatility can be obtained:

Series: *[Index] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

CERTIFICATE WARRANTS

Series:	<i>[Underlying] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Underlying Disruption Events:	<i>[None][specify]</i>
American Style:	<i>[Applicable][Not Applicable]</i>
Automatic Exercise:	<i>[Applicable][Not Applicable]</i>
Business Day:	<i>[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]</i>
Call Warrants:	<i>[Applicable][Not Applicable]</i>
Cash Amount:	<i>[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]</i>
Clearing Agent:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	<i>[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Exchange:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Exercise Time:	<i>[12.00pm] Central European Time</i>
Expiration Date:	<i>[Specify]</i>
European Style:	<i>[Applicable][Not Applicable]</i>
Final Reference Price:	<i>[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]</i>
Integral Multiple:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Issue Date:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Launch Date:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Listing Agent:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Minimum Exercise Number:	<i>[Specify][Not Applicable]</i>
Maximum Exercise Number:	<i>[Specify][Not Applicable]</i>
Participation Rate:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Principal Agent:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Put Warrants:	<i>[Applicable][Not Applicable]</i>
Relevant Currency:	<i>[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]</i>
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	<i>[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]</i>
Settlement Currency:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Settlement Date:	<i>The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date</i>
Standard Currency:	<i>[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]</i>
Strike Currency:	<i>[Specify]</i>
Strike Price:	<i>[Specify]</i>

Underlying: [Specify] (ISIN: []; Bloomberg Page: [])

Valuation Time: [Specify]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: [Specify]

Common Code: [Specify]

WKN: [Specify]

Valoren: [Specify]

Other Securities Code: [Specify] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("**Securities Act**") and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying can be obtained: [Specify]

Series: [Underlying] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

REFERENCE RATE WARRANTS

Series: *[Reference Rate] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

American Style: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Automatic Exercise: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Business Day: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Call Warrants: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Cash Amount: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Denomination [] [Not Applicable]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: []

Exercise Time: [12.00pm] Central European Time

Expiration Date: []

European Style: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Final Reference Price [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Integral Multiple: []

Interim Amount: []

Interim Payment: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interim Payment Date(s): []

Interim Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Interim Rate: []

Interim Rate Day Count Fraction: [Not Applicable]

[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interim Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interim Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interim Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]

[specify other]

Maximum Exercise Number: [] [Not Applicable]
 Minimum Exercise Number: [] [Not Applicable]
 Pricing Date(s): [] [Not Applicable]
 Put Warrants: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]
 Reference Banks: [Five] [specify other]
 Reference Rate(s): [first rate]
 Screen Page: [[specify]
 [repeat as appropriate for other rates]
 Relevant Currency: [As stated in P [Product Condition 1] [specify other]
 Settlement Currency: []
 Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
 Settlement Date: The [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date
 Strike Currency: [] [Not Applicable]
 Strike Price: [] [Not Applicable]
 Valuation Time: [11.00 hours Central European Time] [specify other]
 Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]
(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)
 ISIN: []
 Common Code: []
 WKN: []
 Valoren: []
 Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction:

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Reference Rate and its volatility can be obtained: []

Series: *[Reference Rate] [American][European] [Call][Put] Warrants Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

Save as disclosed in the Issuer’s LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference therein, there has been no significant change in the financial position of the Issuer since 31st December 2009. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer since 31st December 2009, other than as disclosed in the Issuer's LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference therein.

RESPONSIBILITY

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in the Base Prospectus, as completed and/or amended by these Final Terms. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

[The information relating to the Underlying has been extracted from external sources. The Issuer confirms that such information has been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware, and is able to ascertain from information published by the external sources, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.]

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.
(incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam)



BASE PROSPECTUS RELATING TO

MINIS

THE ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND N.V.

LAUNCHPAD PROGRAMME

DATED: 18 OCTOBER 2010

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED IN THIS BASE PROSPECTUS (THE "SECURITIES") SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEY UNDERSTAND FULLY THE NATURE OF THE SECURITIES AND THE EXTENT OF THEIR EXPOSURE TO THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SECURITIES. THE MARKET PRICE AND / OR VALUE OF THE SECURITIES MAY BE VOLATILE AND HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES MAY SUSTAIN A TOTAL LOSS IN THE VALUE OF THEIR INVESTMENT (UNLESS THE SECURITIES ARE OF A TYPE IN WHICH CAPITAL IS PROTECTED). PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS NEED TO CONSIDER THE SUITABILITY OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES IN LIGHT OF THEIR OWN FINANCIAL, FISCAL, REGULATORY AND OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES. PLEASE REFER, IN PARTICULAR, TO THE SECTIONS "RISK FACTORS" IN THIS BASE PROSPECTUS AND IN THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENT FOR A MORE COMPLETE EXPLANATION OF THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES, AND MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM, OR IN A TRANSACTION NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES DO NOT CONSTITUTE UNITS OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SWISS FEDERAL ACT ON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES ("CISA") AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF, OR SUPERVISION BY THE SWISS FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY ("FINMA"). HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES ARE EXPOSED TO THE CREDIT RISK OF THE ISSUER.

This Base Prospectus constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of Article 5.4 of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”).

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (the “**Issuer**”) accepts responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext for Securities to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext (“**Euronext Amsterdam**”) up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus. In addition, Securities may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on any other stock exchange or market specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities.

This Base Prospectus will be filed with the SIS Swiss Exchange Ltd and application may be made to list the Securities under the Programme on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. In respect of Securities to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Programme, together with the Final Terms, will constitute the listing prospectus pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

References in this Programme to Securities being “**listed**” (and all related references) shall mean that such Securities will be admitted to trading and will be listed on Euronext Amsterdam or any other regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2004/39/EC (the “**Markets in Financial Instruments Directive**”).

The Issuer has not authorised the making or provision of any representation or information regarding the Issuer or any Securities. Neither the delivery of this document nor the delivery of any other documents of the LaunchPAD Programme nor any information provided in the course of a transaction in Securities shall, in any circumstances, be construed as a recommendation by the Issuer to enter into any transaction with respect to any Securities. Each prospective investor contemplating a purchase of Securities should make its own independent investigation of the risks associated with a transaction involving any Securities.

The delivery of this document does not at any time imply that there has been no change in the affairs of the Issuer since the date of this Base Prospectus. The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information.

The distribution of this document and the offering, sale and delivery of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this document comes are required by the Issuer to inform themselves about, and to observe, any such restrictions. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of this document and

other offering material relating to the Securities please refer to the section “Selling Restrictions” in this Base Prospectus.

No person has been authorised to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Base Prospectus and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuer.

Where information has been sourced from a third party, the Issuer confirms that this information has been accurately reproduced and that as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

This Base Prospectus is to be read in conjunction with all documents that are deemed to be incorporated herein by reference and shall be read and construed on the basis that such documents are incorporated in and form part of the Base Prospectus.

The Issuer does not represent that this document may be lawfully distributed, or that Securities may be lawfully offered, in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any jurisdiction, or pursuant to an exemption available thereunder, or assume any responsibility for facilitating any such distribution or offering. In particular, no action has been taken by the Issuer, which would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of this Prospectus or any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuer. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of this document and other offering material relating to the Securities please refer to the section "Selling Restrictions" in this Base Prospectus.

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SUMMARY

This summary must be read as an introduction to this Base Prospectus and any decision to invest in any Securities should be based on a consideration of this Base Prospectus as a whole, including the documents incorporated by reference. No civil liability attaches to the Issuer in respect of this Summary, including any translation thereof, unless it is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent when read together with the other parts of this Base Prospectus. Where a claim relating to information contained in this Base Prospectus is brought before a court in a Member State of the European Economic Area (an “EEA State”), the plaintiff may, under the national legislation of the EEA State where the claim is brought, be required to bear the costs of translating the Base Prospectus before the legal proceedings are initiated.

Words and expressions defined elsewhere in this Base Prospectus shall have the same meanings in this summary.

Issuer: The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Bank N.V.) (the “**Issuer**” or “**RBS N.V.**”) acting through its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4AA.

History and Incorporation: The origin of RBS N.V. can be traced to the formation of “Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V.” in 1825 pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824. RBS N.V.’s articles of association were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. RBS N.V. is registered in the Commercial Register of Amsterdam under number 33002587. RBS N.V.’s registered office is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RBS Holdings N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Holding N.V.) (“**RBS Holdings**”), which is incorporated as a limited liability company under Dutch law by deed of 30 May 1990. The articles of association of RBS Holdings were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. M.W. Galjaart, a deputy of Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public

in Amsterdam. The registered office of RBS Holdings is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS Holdings owns 100 per cent. of RBS N.V.'s shares and is jointly and severally liable for all our liabilities in respect of the structured products pursuant to a declaration under Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code.

RBS Holdings and the Issuer form part of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group (referred to as the “**Group**”, “**RBS**” or “**RBS Group**”).

Overview:

The Issuer is a bank licensed by the Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*). RBS Group targets the highest possible credit rating for RBS N.V.

The Issuer operates on a significant scale across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), the Americas and Asia. At legal separation from the ABN AMRO group on 1 April 2010 (see the paragraph *Separation from the ABN AMRO group* below), RBS N.V. has a sizeable balance sheet, a significant staff presence and a broad set of products; provided by a sales force operating in approximately 40 countries (reducing over time following intended asset sales or exits of selected network countries). As at 31 December 2009, the RBS acquired businesses within RBS N.V. reported total consolidated assets of €275 billion and had more than 27,000 full time staff through a network of 264 offices and branches.

Headquartered in Edinburgh, the RBS Group operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and internationally through its two principal subsidiaries, RBS and Natwest. Both RBS and Natwest are major United Kingdom clearing banks whose origins go back over 275 years. In the United States, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc's subsidiary Citizens is a large commercial banking organization. RBS Group has a large and diversified customer base and provides a wide range of products and services to personal,

Group Organisational Structure:

commercial and large corporate and institutional customers.

RBS N.V. comprises the following core businesses:

- Global Banking & Markets: Global Lending, Equities, Short Term Markets & Funding and Local Markets;
- Global Transaction Services: Global Trade Finance, Transaction Banking and International Cash Management; and
- Risk & Restructuring: The Non-Core Division in Risk & Restructuring contains assets that are no longer core to RBS Group's strategic objectives and include Trading, Wholesale Banking and Retail & Commercial Business Units, as well as selected network countries. The assets will reduce over time through wind-down, sale or transfer.

These RBS N.V. businesses are part of global business units in the RBS Group that operate across multiple legal entities. The strategy of RBS N.V. is part of the overall businesses' strategies of the RBS Group.

Separation from the ABN AMRO Group:

On 17 October 2007 85.6 per cent. of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was acquired through RFS Holdings B.V. ("**RFS Holdings**"), a company incorporated by a consortium consisting of the RBS, Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV ("**Fortis**") and Banco Santander S.A. each a '**Consortium Member**'.

On 3 October 2008 the State of the Netherlands ("**Dutch State**") acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

RBS and the Dutch State agreed that the Dutch State acquired businesses would be legally separated from the residual RBS acquired businesses into a new bank.

Legal demerger and legal separation process

On 30 September 2009 ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that a two-step approach would be taken to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – “**Legal Demerger**”: Transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (the “**Demerging Company**”) to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the “**Acquiring Company**”). Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company was to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The Acquiring Company, comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses, was to then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Legal Demerger and the consequent name changes were successfully effected on 6th February 2010.

Step 2 – “**Legal Separation**”: Transfer of the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Following the transfer of the shares in ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to a new holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was to be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.

The Legal Separation and the consequent name change were successfully effected on 1 April 2010.

Following Legal Separation, the Issuer's activities continue to be subject to Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) and the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) supervision and on a consolidated basis as part of the RBS Group subject to UK Financial Services Authority supervision. Due to the change in the operating model of RBS N.V. compared to pre-acquisition ABN AMRO Bank N.V. a licence renewal

has been granted by the Dutch Central Bank on 3 February 2010.

Following Legal Separation a new managing board and supervisory board of RBS N.V. were appointed.

Risk Factors:

In the context of its business activities, the Issuer is subject to various risks that are typical of the banking industry. Should certain risks materialise, this may adversely affect the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of the Issuer and its subsidiaries and, consequently, the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of RBS Holdings and, hence, the capacity (i) of the Issuer to meet its liabilities under the Securities towards the holders of Securities (the “**Holder**”), and/or (ii) of RBS Holdings to meet its obligations under the guarantee. Factors which can adversely affect the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of the Issuer are *inter alia* (i) general economic conditions and other business conditions, (ii) competition, (iii) regulatory change and (iv) standard banking risks including changes in interest and foreign exchange rates and operational, credit, market, liquidity and legal risks.

In addition, there are certain factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with the Securities including (i) the value of the Securities may fluctuate based on the value of the Underlying, (ii) there may not be a secondary market in the Securities, (iii) holders of the Securities have no ownership interest in the Underlying and (iv) there may be limitations on a holder's right to exercise the Securities or there may be delays in effecting settlement, see section *Risk Factors* in this Base Prospectus.

Guarantor:

RBS Holdings pursuant to its declaration under Article 2:403 of the Netherlands Civil Code.

Principal Agent and Calculation

RBS N.V. acting through its London branch at 250

Agent:	Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4AA.
Listing and Admission to Trading:	Application will be made to NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market specified in the Final Terms for Securities to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market specified in the Final Terms up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities.
Description of the Securities:	A range of Mini certificates may be issued under this Base Prospectus. The terms and conditions (the “ Conditions ”) applicable to such certificates are contained in the general conditions (the “ General Conditions ”) which are applicable to all Mini certificates, product conditions (the “ Product Conditions ”) applicable to the particular type of Mini certificate being issued and the Final Terms (as defined in the Product Conditions) applicable to the particular Series being issued (as defined in the Product Conditions).
Mini Certificates:	<p>Mini certificates are investment instruments which may be either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) without a fixed maturity or expiration date, which can either be terminated by the Issuer or exercised by the holder of the Security (“Holder”) (open ended mini certificates); or (ii) with a fixed maturity or expiration date if a Final Valuation Date is specified in the relevant Final Terms (fixed maturity mini certificates) and will automatically terminate following a single Final Valuation Date. <p>Open ended and fixed maturity mini certificates as described in (i) and (ii) above can be terminated by the Issuer following an Issuer Call, and may automatically terminate if the Underlying (as defined below) reaches a pre-determined level (stop loss level) before its maturity,</p>

exercise or automatic exercise, following any such event, the mini certificates will pay an amount determined by reference to the value of the underlying currency, commodity, index and its constituent elements, stock, bond, basket or other product (together, the “**Underlying**”) on one or more specified days, subject to the certificate entitlement. The types of certificates that may be issued under this Base Prospectus are described below.

Mini certificates track in a linear manner the Underlying either on an open ended basis or until the relevant Final Valuation Date. The amount needed to invest in a mini certificate to give the same participation rate in the Underlying as a direct investment in the Underlying is considerably less. Therefore the percentage gain if the Underlying rises (in the case of mini long certificates) or falls (in the case of mini short certificates) and the percentage loss if the Underlying falls is much higher in Mini certificates than as a direct investment in the Underlying.

Mini Long and Short Certificates:

Mini long certificates enable the investor to profit from rising markets. Mini long certificates track the Underlying. If the value of the Underlying rises, the value of the mini long certificate will rise by an equivalent amount, taking into account any applicable foreign exchange rate. The difference between a mini long certificate and an ordinary certificate is that in the case of the mini long certificate, the amount needed to invest to give the same participation rate in the Underlying is usually considerably less.

Mini short certificates enable the investor to profit from declining markets. Mini short certificates track the Underlying in an inverse manner. If the value of the Underlying drops, the value of the mini short certificate will rise by an equivalent amount, taking into account any applicable foreign exchange rate. The difference between a mini short certificate and an ordinary certificate is that in

the case of the mini short certificate, the amount needed to invest to give the same inverse participation rate in the Underlying is usually considerably less.

Stop-loss:

The maximum loss to an investor in Mini certificates is the initial amount invested. A feature of Mini certificates is the Stop-loss which, if breached, will result in the early termination of the mini certificate.

Commodity Certificates:

Commodity certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a commodity. A wide range of commodities may become the Underlying in relation to a commodity Mini certificate.

Currency Certificates:

Currency certificates give their Holder exposure to interest rate differences between two currencies. A range of currencies may become the Underlying in relation to a currency Mini certificate.

Single Stock Certificates:

Single stock certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a share. A range of shares may become the Underlying in relation to a single stock Mini certificate.

Index Certificates:

Index certificates are certificates where the Underlying is an index. A range of indices may become the Underlying in relation to an index Mini certificate.

Government Bond Certificates:

Government bond certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a futures contract related to a Government bond. A range of Government bond futures contracts may become the Underlying in relation to a Government bond Mini certificate.

Commodity Forward or Future Certificates:

Commodity forward and future certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a forward or future contract related to a commodity. A range of commodity forward and futures contracts may become the Underlying in relation to a commodity forward or future Mini certificate.

Fund Mini Certificates:

Fund Mini certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a fund. A range of funds may become the Underlying in

relation to a fund Mini certificate.

Rolling Mini Certificates:

Rolling mini certificates observe certain elements to determine whether adjustments need to be made to any of the terms and conditions of the certificates to maintain the leverage within certain limits, these elements include but are not limited to the current leverage factor, the level of the Underlying and the value of the certificates. In addition to such adjustments, the Holder could be entitled to an interim payment.

Index Future Certificates:

Index future certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a future contract related to an index. A range of index future contracts may become the Underlying in relation to an index future Mini certificate.

Indicative Issue Price:

The Securities will be sold at a price determined by the Issuer who may, in making such determinations, refer to, amongst other factors, the level of the Underlying, the relevant certificate entitlement and any applicable foreign exchange rate(s).

Maturity:

The Securities are either (i) open ended and do not have any fixed maturity date, or (ii) with a fixed maturity and, will exercise automatically following the Final Valuation Date.

Interest:

The Securities do not bear interest.

General Conditions

Set out below is a summary of certain significant provisions of the General Conditions applicable to all Securities issued under this Base Prospectus.

Status of the Securities:

The Securities constitute unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.

Early Termination:

The Issuer may terminate any Securities if it shall have determined in its absolute discretion that its performance thereunder shall have become unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance in good faith by the Issuer with

any applicable law. In such circumstances the Issuer will, to the extent permitted by law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination (ignoring such illegality) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements.

Hedging Disruption:

If a Hedging Disruption Event (as defined in General Condition 5) occurs, the Issuer will at its discretion (i) terminate the Securities and pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements or (ii) make a good faith adjustment to the relevant reference asset as described in General Condition 5(c) or (iii) make any other adjustment to the Conditions as it considers appropriate in order to maintain the theoretical value of the Securities after adjusting for the relevant Hedging Disruption Event. The Issuer may make adjustments following any event likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's hedge position, subject to the conditions set out in General Condition 5(d).

Substitution:

The Issuer may at any time, without the consent of the Holders substitute for itself as Issuer of the Securities, RBS Plc or any entity other than RBS Plc subject to the conditions set out in General Condition 8. In certain cases, substitution may be required to be effected in accordance with the rules of one or more clearing systems specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Events of Default:

The terms of the Securities will contain the following events of default:

- (a) default in payment of any principal or interest due in respect of the Securities, continuing for a specified period of time;

(b) non-performance or non-observance by the Issuer of any of its other obligations under the Securities continuing for a specified period of time; and

(c) events relating to the winding up of the Issuer.

Taxation:

The Holder (and not the Issuer) shall be liable for and/or pay any tax, duty or charge in connection with the ownership of and/or any transfer, payment or delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Holder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable to any Holder such amount as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment.

Product Conditions:

Set out below is a summary of certain significant provisions of the Product Conditions applicable to the Securities to be issued under this Base Prospectus.

Form of Securities:

Except in the case of Securities issued in dematerialised form, Securities will be issued in global form. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as Clearing Agent, Securities will, following their issuance, be transformed into intermediated securities in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act.

Exercise of Securities:

Provided no Issuer Call or Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Securities may be exercised on any Exercise Date (if open ended), or will automatically exercise following a Final Valuation Date (if fixed maturity), as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

The Securities will be exercised automatically (and therefore terminate early) upon a Stop Loss Event occurring and may be called by the Issuer under an Issuer Call at any time which may occur before any relevant Exercise.

Settlement of Securities:

The Securities referred to in this Base Prospectus will be cash settled only. It is possible that in the future physically settled Securities may be issued and, in that case, a supplement to this Base Prospectus or a new Base

Prospectus will be prepared describing the relevant Securities.

Market Disruption Events:

If a Market Disruption Event occurs Holders may experience a delay in settlement and the cash price paid on settlement may be adversely affected. Market Disruption Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Securities and vary depending on the type of Securities.

Fund Event:

If a Fund Event occurs, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, in each case acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, may adjust one or more of the Conditions to reflect the impact of the Fund Event. Fund Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable).

Emerging Market Disruption Events:

The Emerging Market Disruption Events reflect the substantial risks associated with investing in emerging markets in addition to those risks normally associated with making investments in other countries. Potential investors should note that the securities markets in emerging market jurisdictions are generally substantially smaller and at times have been more volatile and illiquid than the major securities markets in more developed countries. If an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurs Holders may experience a delay in settlement or delivery and the cash price paid on settlement may be adversely affected. Emerging Market Disruption Events are defined in Section 1 of the Product Conditions.

Potential Adjustment Event:

If a Potential Adjustment Event occurs the Calculation Agent may adjust one or more of the Conditions to account for the diluting or concentrative effect of the Potential Adjustment Event. Potential Adjustment Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable) and vary depending on the type of Security.

De-listing:

If a De-listing occurs the Calculation Agent may adjust one or more of the Conditions, including replacing the relevant Underlying, to account for such event. De-listing is defined

in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable).

Governing Law:

English law.

English courts:

The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or in connection with the Securities.

Final Terms:

Each Series will be the subject of a Final Terms which will contain the final terms applicable to the Series. The form of the Final Terms applicable to each type of Security is set out in this Base Prospectus.

The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

RISK FACTORS

The Issuer believes that the following factors may affect its ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued. Most of these factors are contingencies which may or may not occur and the Issuer is not in a position to express a view on the likelihood of any such contingency occurring.

In addition, factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Securities issued are also described below.

The Issuer believes that the factors described below represent the principal risks inherent in investing in Securities issued, but the inability of the Issuer to pay interest, principal or other amounts on or in connection with any Securities, or to perform any delivery obligations in relation to the Securities, may occur for other reasons and the Issuer does not represent that the statements below regarding the risks of holding any Securities are exhaustive. Prospective investors should also read the detailed information set out elsewhere in this Base Prospectus and reach their own views prior to making any investment decision.

Before making an investment decision with respect to any Securities, prospective investors should consult their own stockbroker, bank manager, lawyer, accountant or other financial, legal and tax advisers and carefully review the risks entailed by an investment in the Securities and consider such an investment decision in the light of the prospective investor's personal circumstances.

Words and expressions defined elsewhere in this Base Prospectus shall have the same meaning in this section.

Factors that may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued

Each potential investor in the Securities should refer to the Risk Factors section of the Issuer's registration document dated 1 July 2010 as supplemented by a supplement dated 1 September 2010 (the "**Registration Document**") incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus for a description of those factors which may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued.

Factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Securities issued

The Securities are short or long Mini Certificates which entail particular risks

Mini certificates are either (i) open ended investment instruments without a fixed maturity or expiration date, which can be exercised by the Holder, or (ii) fixed maturity or expiration date, which will be exercised automatically following a Final Valuation Date, both open ended and fixed maturity mini certificates can be terminated by the Issuer following an Issuer Call, and may automatically terminate if

the Underlying (as defined below) reaches a pre-determined level. Following any such event, the mini certificates pay an amount determined by reference to the level of the underlying currency, commodity, index (including in the case of an index, the index and its constituent elements), stock, bond or other product, subject to the certificate entitlement. Investors should be aware that their entire investment may be lost if the Underlying is at an unfavourable level.

The price at which a holder will be able to sell mini certificates may be at a potentially substantial discount to the market value of the mini certificates at the issue date, if, at such time and in addition to any other factors, the value of the Underlying is at an unfavourable level.

Mini certificates track in a linear manner the Underlying either on an open ended basis or until the relevant Final Valuation Date. The amount needed to invest in a mini certificate to give the same participation rate in the Underlying as a direct investment in the Underlying is considerably less. Therefore the percentage gain if the Underlying rises (in the case of mini long certificates) or falls (in the case of mini short certificates) and the percentage loss if the Underlying falls or rises, respectively, is higher in Mini certificates than in a direct investment in the Underlying. This is the leverage effect. Investors should be aware that the leverage effect from holding Mini certificates could result in gaining or losing a greater percentage of the investment than would occur through a direct investment in the Underlying. The maximum loss to the investor is the initial amount invested. Investors must expect to suffer a loss if the market price or value of the Underlying falls (in the case of mini long certificates) or rises (in the case of mini short certificates). A feature of Mini certificates is the Stop-loss which, if breached, will result in the early termination of the certificate.

Mini short certificates enable the investor to profit from declining markets. Mini short certificates track the Underlying in an inverse manner. If the value of the Underlying drops, the value of the mini short certificate will rise by an equivalent amount, taking into account any applicable foreign exchange rate.

Mini long certificates enable the investor to profit from rising markets. Mini long certificates track the Underlying. If the value of the Underlying rises, the value of the mini long certificate will rise by an equivalent amount, taking into account any applicable foreign exchange rate.

The Securities may not be a suitable investment for all investors

Each potential investor in the Securities must determine the suitability of that investment in light of its own circumstances. In particular, each potential investor should:

- (a) have sufficient knowledge and experience to make a meaningful evaluation of the Securities, the merits and risks of investing in the Securities and the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus or any applicable Final Terms;

- (b) have access to, and knowledge of, appropriate analytical tools to evaluate, in the context of its particular financial situation, an investment in the Securities and the impact the Securities will have on its overall investment portfolio;
- (c) have sufficient financial resources and liquidity to bear all of the risks of an investment in the Securities, including Securities with principal or interest payable in one or more currencies, or where the currency for principal or interest payments is different from the potential investor's currency;
- (d) understand thoroughly the terms of the Securities and be familiar with the behaviour of any relevant indices and financial markets; and
- (e) be able to evaluate (either alone or with the help of a financial adviser) possible scenarios for economic, interest rate and other factors that may affect its investment and its ability to bear the applicable risks.

Some Securities are complex financial instruments. Sophisticated institutional investors generally do not purchase complex financial instruments as stand-alone investments. They purchase complex financial instruments as a way to reduce risk or enhance yield with an understood, measured, appropriate addition of risk to their overall portfolios. A potential investor should not invest in Securities which are complex financial instruments unless it has the expertise (either alone or with a financial adviser) to evaluate how the Securities will perform under changing conditions, the resulting effects on the value of the Securities and the impact this investment will have on the potential investor's overall investment portfolio.

The value of the Securities may fluctuate

The value of the Securities may move up and down between their date of purchase and their exercise date or maturity date (as the case may be). Holders of Securities (the “**Holders**”) may sustain a total loss of their investment (unless the Securities are of a type in which capital is protected). Prospective purchasers should therefore ensure that they understand fully the nature of the Securities before they invest in the Securities.

Several factors, many of which are beyond the Issuer's control, will influence the value of the Securities at any time, including the following:

- (a) *Valuation of the Underlying.* The market price of the Securities at any time is expected to be affected primarily by changes in the level of the Underlying to which such Securities are linked. It is impossible to predict how the level of the relevant Underlying will vary over time. Factors which may have an affect on the value of the Underlying include the rate of return of the Underlying and the financial position and prospects of the issuer of the Underlying or any component thereof. In addition, the level of the Underlying may depend on a number of

interrelated factors, including economic, financial and political events and their effect on the capital markets generally and relevant stock exchanges. Potential investors should also note that whilst the market value of the Securities is linked to the relevant Underlying and will be influenced (positively or negatively) by it, any change may not be comparable and may be disproportionate. It is possible that while the Underlying is increasing in value, the value of the Securities may fall. Further, where no market value is available for an Underlying, the Calculation Agent may determine its value to be zero notwithstanding the fact that there may be no Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) and/or no Potential Adjustment Events and/or no De-listing and/or no Fund Event which apply.

- (b) *Interest Rates.* Investments in the Securities may involve interest rate risk with respect to the currency of denomination of the Underlying and/or the Securities. A variety of factors influence interest rates such as macro economic, governmental, speculative and market sentiment factors. Such fluctuations may have an impact on the value of the Securities at any time prior to valuation of the Underlying relating to the Securities.
- (c) *Volatility.* The term “volatility” refers to the actual and anticipated frequency and magnitude of changes of the market price with respect to an Underlying. Volatility is affected by a number of factors such as macro economic factors, speculative trading and supply and demand in the options, futures and other derivatives markets. Volatility of an Underlying will move up and down over time (sometimes more sharply than others) and different Underlyings will most likely have separate volatilities at any particular time.
- (d) *Exchange Rates.* Even where payments in respect of the Securities are not expressly linked to a rate or rates of exchange between currencies, the value of the Securities could, in certain circumstances, be affected by such factors as fluctuations in the rates of exchange between any currency in which any payment in respect of the Securities is to be made and any currency in which the Underlying is traded, appreciation or depreciation of any such currencies and any existing or future governmental or other restrictions on the exchangeability of such currencies. There can be no assurance that rates of exchange between any relevant currencies which are current rates at the date of issue of any Securities will be representative of the relevant rates of exchange used in computing the value of the relevant Securities at any time thereafter. Where Securities are described as being “quantoed”, the value of the Underlying will be converted from one currency (the “**Original Currency**”) into a new currency (the “**New Currency**”) on the date and in the manner specified in, or implied by, the Conditions using a fixed exchange rate. The cost to the Issuer of maintaining such a fixing between the Original Currency and the New Currency will have an implication on the value of the Securities. The implication will vary during the term of the Securities. No assurance can be given as to whether or not, taking into account relative exchange rate and interest rate fluctuations between the Original Currency

and the New Currency, a quanto feature in a Security would at any time enhance the return on the Security over a level of a similar security issued without such a quanto feature.

- (e) *Disruption.* If so indicated in the Conditions, the Calculation Agent may determine that a Market Disruption Event (which includes Emerging Market Disruption Events), Fund Event, Potential Adjustment Event and/or De-listing has occurred or exists at a relevant time. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in respect of the Securities.
- (f) Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.
- (g) *Creditworthiness.* Any person who purchases the Securities is relying upon the creditworthiness of the Issuer and of RBS Holdings (pursuant to its declaration under Article 2:403 of the Netherlands Civil Code) and has no rights against any other person. The Securities constitute general, unsecured, contractual obligations of the Issuer and of no other person. The Securities rank *pari passu* among themselves.

There may not be a secondary market in the Securities

Potential investors should be willing to hold the Securities through their life. The nature and extent of any secondary market in the Securities cannot be predicted. As a consequence any person intending to hold the Securities should consider liquidity in the Securities as a risk. If the Securities are listed or quoted on an exchange or quotation system this does not imply greater or lesser liquidity than if equivalent Securities were not so listed or quoted. However, if Securities are not listed or quoted there may be a lack of transparency with regard to pricing information. The Issuer may provide quotations or prices for the Securities which may be suspended by the Issuer at any time, subject to all applicable rules and regulations. Liquidity may also be affected by legal restrictions on offers for sale in certain jurisdictions. The Issuer may affect the liquidity of the Securities by purchasing and holding the Securities for its own account during trading in the secondary market. Any such Securities may be resold at any time into the market.

The Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion, decide to offer a secondary market in the Securities. In the event that the Issuer elects to offer such secondary market, the Issuer shall be entitled to impose such conditions as it, in its sole and absolute discretion, shall deem fit, including but not limited to:

- (a) providing a large bid/offer spread determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion by reference to the Issuer's own appreciation of the risks involved in providing such secondary market;
- (b) normal market conditions prevailing at such date; and

- (c) limiting the number of Securities in respect of which it is prepared to offer such secondary market.

Holders should note that the imposition of any of the above conditions may severely limit the availability of any such secondary market and may result in Holders receiving significantly less than they otherwise would have received if the Securities were redeemed at maturity.

As part of its issuing, market-making and/or trading arrangements, the Issuer may issue more Securities than those which are to be subscribed or purchased by third party investors. The Issuer (or any of its affiliates) may hold such Securities for the purpose of meeting any investor interest in the future. Prospective investors in the Securities should therefore not regard the issue size of any Series as indicative of the depth or liquidity of the market for such Series, or of the demand for such Series.

In the event that such a secondary market does not develop, it is unlikely that an investor in the Securities will be able to sell his Securities or at prices that will provide him with a yield comparable to similar investments that have a developed secondary market.

Purchasing the Securities as a hedge may not be effective

Any person intending to use the Securities as a hedge instrument should recognise the correlation risk. The Securities may not be a perfect hedge to an Underlying or portfolio of which the Underlying forms a part. In addition, it may not be possible to liquidate the Securities at a level which directly reflects the price of the Underlying or portfolio of which the Underlying forms a part.

Actions taken by the Issuer may affect the value of the Securities

The Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may carry out activities that minimise its and/or their risks related to the Securities, including effecting transactions for their own account or for the account of their customers and hold long or short positions in the Underlying whether for risk reduction purposes or otherwise. In addition, in connection with the offering of any Securities, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may enter into one or more hedging transactions with respect to the Underlying. In connection with such hedging or market-making activities or with respect to proprietary or other trading activities by the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may enter into transactions in the Underlying which may affect the market price, liquidity or value of the Underlying and/or the Securities and which could be deemed to be adverse to the interests of the Holders. The Issuer and/or its affiliates are likely to modify their hedging positions throughout the life of the Securities whether by effecting transactions in the Underlying or in derivatives linked to the Underlying. Further, it is possible that the advisory services which the Issuer and/or its affiliates provide in the ordinary course of its/their business could lead to an adverse impact on the value of the Underlying.

The Issuer may also make adjustments to the Conditions if it determines that an event has occurred which, whilst not a Hedging Disruption Event or other disruption event is likely to have a material

adverse effect on the Issuer's Hedge Position. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in respect of the Securities.

Holders have no ownership interest in the Underlying

The Securities convey no interest in the Underlying. The Issuer may choose not to hold the Underlying or any derivatives contracts linked to the Underlying. There is no restriction through the issue of the Securities on the ability of the Issuer and/or its affiliates to sell, pledge or otherwise convey all right, title and interest in any Underlying or any derivatives contracts linked to the Underlying.

Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the Underlying

The Calculation Agent is the agent of the Issuer and not the agent of the Holders or any of them. The Issuer may itself act as the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent will make such adjustments as it considers appropriate as a consequence of certain corporate actions affecting the Underlying. In making these adjustments the Calculation Agent is entitled to exercise substantial discretion and may be subject to conflicts of interest in exercising this discretion. The Calculation Agent is not required to make adjustments with respect to each and every corporate action.

There may be limitations on a Holder's right to exercise the Securities

- (a) *Fixed Maturity Mini Certificates.* If a Final Valuation Date is indicated in the relevant Final Terms, the Securities will not be open ended and Holders will not have a right of Exercise. Mini Certificates specifying a Final Valuation Date will be fixed maturity and will only exercise automatically following such Final Valuation Date;
- (b) *Maximum Exercise Amount.* If so indicated in the Conditions, the Issuer will have the option to limit the number of Securities exercisable on any date (other than the final exercise date) to the maximum number so specified and, in conjunction with such limitation, to limit the number of Securities exercisable by any person or group of persons (whether or not acting in concert) on such date. In the event that the total number of Securities being exercised on any date (other than the final exercise date) exceeds such maximum number and the Issuer has elected to limit the number of Securities exercisable on such date, a holder of Securities may not be able to exercise on such date all the Securities that it desires to exercise. In any such case, the number of Securities to be exercised on such date will be reduced until the total number of Securities exercised on such date no longer exceeds such maximum (unless the Issuer otherwise elects), such Securities being selected as specified in the Conditions. Securities tendered for exercise but not exercised on such date will be automatically exercised on the next date on which Securities may be exercised, subject to the same daily maximum limitation and delayed exercise provisions.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

- (c) *Minimum Exercise Amount.* If so indicated in the Conditions, a Holder may have to tender a specified minimum number of the Securities at any one time in order to exercise the Securities. Thus Holders with fewer than the specified minimum number of such Securities will either have to sell their Securities or purchase additional Securities, incurring transaction costs in each case, in order to realise a return on their investment, and may incur the risk that the trading price of the Securities at that time is different from, in the case of Securities settled in cash (“**Cash Settled Securities**”), the applicable Cash Amount (as defined in the Product Conditions) or, in the case of Securities settled by way of physical delivery (“**Physical Delivery Securities**”), the difference between the value of the applicable underlying asset and the exercise price, in each case upon exercise.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

There may be delays in effecting settlement

If the Securities are subject to provisions relating to exercise, then upon their exercise, there will be a time lag between the time a holder of the Securities gives instructions to exercise and the time the applicable Cash Amount (if the Securities are Cash Settled Securities) relating to such exercise is determined. If the Securities are Physical Delivery Securities there will be a time lag following exercise of the Securities until the Share Amount is delivered to the relevant Holder’s account. Any such delay between the time of exercise and the determination of the Cash Amount or delivery of the Share Amount will be specified in the Conditions. However, such delay could be significantly longer, particularly in the case of a delay in exercise of such Securities arising from, as described above, any daily maximum exercise limitation or, as described above, any delay consequent upon the determination by the Calculation Agent that a Market Disruption Event (which includes Emerging Market Disruption Events) occurred at any relevant time. The applicable Cash Amount or Share Amount could decrease or increase from what it would have been but for such delay.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

If the Securities are subject to provisions concerning delivery of a notice and such notice is received by the relevant clearing agent, with a copy to the Principal Agent after the latest time specified in the Conditions, it will be deemed to be duly delivered on the next following Business Day. Such deemed delay may in the case of Cash Settled Securities increase or decrease the Cash Amount (as defined in the Conditions) from what it would have been but for such deemed delivery. In the case of Securities which

are exercisable on one day only or only during an exercise period any notice, if not delivered by the latest time specified in the Conditions, shall be void.

If the Securities are subject to provisions concerning delivery of a Notice and such notice is received by either the relevant Clearing Agent, with a copy to the Principal Agent after the latest time specified in the Conditions, it will be deemed to be duly delivered on the next following Business Day. Such deemed delay may in the case of Cash Settled Securities increase or decrease the Cash Amount from what it would have been but for such deemed delivery. In the case of Securities which are exercisable on one day only or only during an exercise period any Notice, if not delivered by the latest time specified in the Conditions, shall be void.

If the Securities require a Notice to be delivered before close of business in the place of receipt on the Cut-off Date (as defined in the Product Conditions), then delivery after the Cut-off Date may result in a delay in delivery of the applicable Share Amount (as defined in the Product Conditions).

The failure to deliver any certifications required by the Conditions could result in the loss or inability to receive amounts or deliveries otherwise due under the Securities.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

Securities not exercised in accordance with the Conditions will (where exercise is required) expire worthless.

Taxes may be payable by investors

Potential purchasers and sellers of the Securities should be aware that they may be required to pay stamp taxes or other documentary charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country where the Securities are transferred. Holders are subject to the provisions of General Condition 9 and payment and/or delivery of any amount due in respect of the Securities will be conditional upon the payment of any Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions.

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt as to their tax position should consult their own independent tax advisers. In addition, potential purchasers should be aware that tax regulations and their application by the relevant taxation authorities change from time to time. Accordingly, it is not possible to predict the precise tax treatment which will apply at any given time.

No tax gross-up

If payments on the Securities are or become subject to a withholding or deduction required by law on account of any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature, the Issuer will make the required withholding or deduction, as the case may be, and neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent nor any other person shall pay any additional amounts to the Holders in respect of such withholding or deduction. Please refer to section “General Condition 9 - Taxation”.

The Securities may be terminated prior to their stated date

If the Issuer determines that the performance of its obligations under the Securities has become illegal or impractical in whole or in part for any reason or the Issuer determines that it is no longer legal or practical for it to maintain its hedging arrangement with respect to the Securities for any reason, the Issuer may at its discretion and without obligation terminate early the Securities. If the Issuer terminates early the Securities, the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay the holder of each such Security an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be its fair market value less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements notwithstanding the illegality or impracticality.

Risks associated with Securities held in global form

The Securities will initially be held by or on behalf of one or more clearing systems specified in the applicable Final Terms (each a “**Relevant Clearing System**”), either in the form of a global bearer Security which will be exchangeable for definitive Securities only in the event of the closure of all Relevant Clearing Systems or in dematerialised form depending on the rules of the Relevant Clearing System. For as long as any Securities are held by or on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System, payments of principal, interest (if any) and any other amounts will be made through the Relevant Clearing System, where required, against presentation or surrender (as the case may be) of any relevant global Security and, in the case of a temporary global Security in bearer form, certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership. The risk is that the bearer or the registered holder, as the case may be, of the relevant global Security, typically a depositary or a nominee for a depositary for the Relevant Clearing System, or, in the case of Securities in dematerialised form, the Relevant Clearing System and not the Holder itself, shall be treated by the Issuer and any Agent (as defined in the Conditions) as the sole holder of the relevant Securities with respect to the payment of principal (if any), interest (if any) and any other amounts payable in respect of the Securities or any securities deliverable in respect of the Securities. Holders therefore are required to look to the Relevant Clearing System in respect of payments made to it by the Issuer in respect of Securities in global or dematerialised form.

Securities which are held by or on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of the Relevant Clearing System.

Risk associated with nominee arrangements

Where a nominee service provider is used by an investor to hold Securities or such investor holds interests in any Security through accounts with a Relevant Clearing System, such investor will receive payments in respect of principal, interest, (if any) or any other amounts due, or securities deliverable, as applicable, solely on the basis of the arrangements entered into by the investor with the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System, as the case may be. Furthermore, such investor must rely on the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System to distribute all

payments or securities attributable to the relevant Securities which are received from the Issuer. Accordingly, such an investor will be exposed to the credit risk of, and default risk in respect of, the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System, as well as the Issuer.

In addition, such a Holder will only be able to sell any Securities held by it prior to their stated maturity date with the assistance of the relevant nominee service provider.

None of the Issuer or any Agent shall be responsible for the acts or omissions of any relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System nor makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the service provided by any relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System.

The return on an investment in Securities will be affected by charges incurred by investors

An investor's total return on an investment in any Securities will be affected by the level of fees charged by the nominee service provider and/or Relevant Clearing System used by the investor. Such a person or institution may charge fees for the opening and operation of an investment account, transfers of Securities, custody services and on payments of interest, principal and other amounts or delivery of securities. Potential investors are therefore advised to investigate the basis on which any such fees will be charged on the relevant Securities.

Change of law and jurisdiction

The Conditions are based on English law in effect as at the date of this Base Prospectus. No assurance can be given as to the impact of any possible change to English law or administrative practice after the date of this Base Prospectus. Prospective investors in the Securities should note that the courts of England and Wales shall have jurisdiction in respect of any disputes involving the Securities. Holders may, however, take any suit, action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Securities against the Issuer in any court of competent jurisdiction. English law may be materially different from the equivalent law in the home jurisdiction of prospective investors in its application to the Securities.

Credit ratings may not reflect all risks

One or more independent credit rating agencies may assign credit ratings to the Issuer or the Securities. The ratings may not reflect the potential impact of all risks related to structure, market, additional factors discussed above, and other factors that may affect the value of the Securities. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be revised or withdrawn by the rating agency at any time.

Legal investment considerations may restrict certain investments

The investment activities of certain investors are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, or review or regulation by certain authorities. Each potential investor should consult its legal advisers to

determine whether and to what extent (i) Securities are legal investments for it, (ii) Securities can be used as collateral for various types of borrowing and (iii) other restrictions apply to its purchase or pledge of any Securities. Financial institutions should consult their legal advisers or the appropriate regulators to determine the appropriate treatment of Securities under any applicable risk-based capital or similar rules.

Modification, waivers and substitution

The Issuer may decide to make modifications to the Securities without the consent of the Holders which may affect the Holders' interest either:

- (a) for the purpose of curing any ambiguity or of curing, correcting or supplementing any manifest error or other defective provision; or
- (b) in any other manner which is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders; or
- (c) for the purpose of the substitution of another company as principal debtor under any Securities in place of the Issuer, in the circumstances described in General Condition 8.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Base Prospectus as completed and/or amended by the Final Terms. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

ESSENTIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ISSUER

History and incorporation

The origin of RBS N.V. can be traced to the formation of “Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V.” in 1825 pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824. RBS N.V.’s articles of association were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. RBS N.V. is registered in the Commercial Register of Amsterdam under number 33002587. RBS N.V.’s registered office is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RBS Holdings N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Holding N.V.) (“**RBS Holdings**”), which is incorporated as a limited liability company under Dutch law by deed of 30 May 1990. The articles of association of RBS Holdings were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. M.W. Galjaart, a deputy of Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. The registered office of RBS Holdings is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS Holdings owns 100 per cent. of RBS N.V.’s shares and is jointly and severally liable for all our liabilities in respect of the structured products pursuant to a declaration under Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code.

RBS Holdings and the Issuer form part of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group (referred to as the “**Group**”, “**RBS**” or “**RBS Group**”).

Overview

The Issuer is a bank licensed by the Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*). RBS Group targets the highest possible credit rating for RBS N.V.

The Issuer operates on a significant scale across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), the Americas and Asia. At legal separation from the ABN AMRO group on 1 April 2010 (see the paragraph *Separation from the ABN AMRO group* below), RBS N.V. has a sizeable balance sheet, a significant staff presence and a broad set of products; provided by a sales force operating in approximately 40 countries (reducing over time following intended asset sales or exits of selected network countries). As at 31 December 2009, the RBS acquired businesses within RBS N.V. reported total consolidated assets of €275 billion and had more than 27,000 full time staff through a network of 264 offices and branches.

Headquartered in Edinburgh, the RBS Group operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and internationally through its two principal subsidiaries, RBS Plc and Natwest. Both RBS Plc and Natwest

are major United Kingdom clearing banks whose origins go back over 275 years. In the United States, RBS Group's subsidiary Citizens is a large commercial banking organization. RBS Group has a large and diversified customer base and provides a wide range of products and services to personal, commercial and large corporate and institutional customers.

Group Organisational Structure

RBS N.V. comprises the following core businesses:

- Global Banking & Markets: Global Lending, Equities, Short Term Markets & Funding and Local Markets;
- Global Transaction Services: Global Trade Finance, Transaction Banking and International Cash Management; and
- Risk & Restructuring: The Non-Core Division in Risk & Restructuring contains assets that are no longer core to RBS Group's strategic objectives and include Trading, Wholesale Banking and Retail & Commercial Business Units, as well as selected network countries. The assets will reduce over time through wind-down, sale or transfer.

These RBS N.V. businesses are part of global business units in the RBS Group that operate across multiple legal entities. The strategy of RBS N.V. is part of the overall businesses' strategies of the RBS Group.

Separation from the ABN AMRO group

On 17 October 2007 85.6 per cent. of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was acquired through RFS Holdings B.V. ("**RFS Holdings**"), a company incorporated by a consortium consisting of the RBS, Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV ("**Fortis**") and Banco Santander S.A. each a "**Consortium Member**".

On 3 October 2008 the State of the Netherlands ("**Dutch State**") acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

RBS and the Dutch State agreed that the Dutch State acquired businesses would be legally separated from the residual RBS acquired businesses into a new bank.

Legal demerger and legal separation process

On 30 September 2009 ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that a two-step approach would be taken to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – “**Legal Demerger**”: Transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (the “**Demerging Company**”) to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the “**Acquiring Company**”). Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company was to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The Acquiring Company, comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses, was to then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Legal Demerger and the consequent name changes were successfully effected on 6th February 2010.

Step 2 – “**Legal Separation**”: Transfer of the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Following the transfer of the shares in ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to a new holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was to be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.

The Legal Separation and the consequent name change were successfully effected on 1 April 2010.

Following Legal Separation, the Issuer's activities continue to be subject to Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) and the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) supervision and on a consolidated basis as part of the RBS Group subject to UK Financial Services Authority supervision. Due to the change in the operating model of RBS N.V. compared to pre-acquisition ABN AMRO Bank N.V. a licence renewal has been granted by the Dutch Central Bank on 3 February 2010.

Following Legal Separation a new managing board and supervisory board of RBS N.V. were appointed.

Issued Financial Instruments on the Issuer’s securities

At the time hereof, there are no convertible bonds or options on the issuer's securities (including employee options) outstanding which have been issued by the Issuer or by group companies of the Issuer.

Equity Securities

All the Issuer's ordinary shares are held by RBS Holdings N.V. and are not listed or traded.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The Issuer's registration document dated 1 July 2010 as supplemented by a supplement dated 1 September 2010 (the “**Registration Document**”), prepared in accordance with Article 5(3) of the Prospectus Directive which has been (1) previously published or is published simultaneously with this Base Prospectus and (2) filed with the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) in its capacity as competent authority under the Act on Financial Supervision (*Wet op het financieel toezicht (Wft)*) 2007 (the “**Competent Authority**”) and shall, together with the documents incorporated therein, be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus.

The following documents which have previously been published or are published simultaneously with this Base Prospectus and have been filed with the AFM shall, among other document incorporated into the Registration Document by reference, be deemed to be incorporated in, and to form part of, this Base Prospectus:

- a) the publicly available consolidated financial statements of RBS Holdings in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2009, 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2007 respectively and the auditor's reports for the respective years, as included in the annual report for those financial years;
- b) the Articles of Association (*statuten*) of each of RBS Holdings and RBS N.V. as in force and effect on the date of this prospectus;
- c) the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information relating to RBS Holdings N.V. for the year ended 31 December 2009 as included in the press release announcing completion of the legal separation dated 1 April 2010;
- d) the publicly available press release in connection with the RBS Holdings N.V. first quarter 2010 financial results, dated 9 June 2010;
- e) the terms of reference of the Audit Committee as set out in the Rules Governing the Supervisory Board's Principles and Best Practices dated 29 April 2010; and
- f) the publicly available interim report in connection with the RBS Holding N.V. financial results of the first half year of 2010, published on 31 August 2010.

The Registration Document and copies of all documents incorporated by reference as mentioned above, are accessible at <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive> and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group Investor Relations, 280 Bishopsgate,

London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 207 672 1758, email investor.relations@rbs.com or at the registered office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom.

The Issuer will, in the event of any significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to the information included in this Base Prospectus which is capable of affecting the assessment of any Securities, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus for use in connection with any subsequent issue of Securities.

MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

Save as disclosed in this document and/or the documents incorporated by reference herein, there has been no significant change in the financial position of the Issuer since 31st December 2009. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer since 31st December 2009 other than as disclosed in this LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference herein.

TAXATION

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt about their tax position on purchase, ownership, transfer, exercise or non-exercise of any Security should consult their professional tax advisers.

1. GENERAL

Purchasers of Securities may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws of practices of the country of purchase in addition to the issue or purchase price of each Security.

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty or other payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Securities.

The Purchasers should be aware that tax treatment depends on the individual circumstances of each client and may be subject to change in the future.

2. EU SAVINGS DIRECTIVE

Under EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income, Member States, including Belgium from 1 January 2010, are required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest (or similar income) paid by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual resident in that other Member State or to certain limited types of entities established in that other Member State. However, for a transitional period, Luxembourg and Austria are instead required (unless during that period they elect otherwise) to operate a withholding system in relation to such payments (the ending of such transitional period being dependent upon the conclusion of certain other agreements relating to information exchange with certain other countries). A number of non-EU countries and territories including Switzerland have adopted similar measures (a withholding system in the case of Switzerland).

On 15 September 2008 the European Commission issued a report to the Council of the European Union on the operation of the Directive, which included the Commission's advice on the need for changes to the Directive. On 13 November 2008 the European Commission published a more detailed proposal for amendments to the Directive, which included a number of suggested changes. The European Parliament approved an amended version of the proposal on 24 April 2009. If any of the proposed changes are made in relation to the Directive, they may amend or broaden the scope of the requirements described above.

3. THE NETHERLANDS

General

The following summary outlines the principal Netherlands tax consequences of the acquisition, holding, settlement, redemption and disposal of the Securities, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all Netherlands tax considerations in relation thereto. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Securities.

This summary is based on tax legislation, published case law, treaties, regulations and published policy, in each case as in force as of the date of this Base Prospectus, and does not take into account any developments or amendments thereof after that date whether or not such developments or amendments have retroactive effect.

This summary does not address the Netherlands tax consequences for:

- (i) holders of Securities holding a substantial interest (*aanmerkelijk belang*) or deemed substantial interest (*fictief aanmerkelijk belang*) in the Issuer and holders of Securities of whom a certain related person holds a substantial interest in the Issuer. Generally speaking, a substantial interest in the Issuer arises if a person, alone or, where such person is an individual, together with his or her partner (statutory defined term), directly or indirectly, holds (i) an interest of 5% or more of the total issued capital of the Issuer or of 5% or more of the issued capital of a certain class of shares of the Issuer, (ii) rights to acquire, directly or indirectly, such interest or (iii) certain profit sharing rights in the Issuer;
- (ii) investment institutions (*fiscale beleggingsinstellingen*); and
- (iii) pension funds, exempt investment institutions (*vrijgestelde beleggingsinstellingen*) or other entities that are exempt from Netherlands corporate income tax.

Where this summary refers to a holder of Securities, such reference is restricted to a holder holding legal title to as well as an economic interest in such Securities.

Withholding Tax

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities may be made free of withholding or deduction for any taxes of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld or assessed by the Netherlands or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein.

Corporate and Individual Income Tax

Residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes and is fully subject to Netherlands corporate income tax or is only subject to Netherlands corporate income tax in respect of an enterprise to which the Securities are attributable, income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Securities are generally taxable in the Netherlands (at up to a maximum rate of 25.5%).

If an individual holder is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (including an individual holder who has opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Securities are taxable at the progressive rates (at up to a maximum rate of 52%) under the Netherlands income tax act 2001 (*Wet inkomstenbelasting 2001*), if:

- (i) the holder is an entrepreneur (*ondernemer*) and has an enterprise to which the Securities are attributable or the holder has, other than as a shareholder, a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise (*medegerechtigde*), to which enterprise the Securities are attributable; or
- (ii) such income or gains qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*), which include the performance of activities with respect to the Securities that exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*).

If neither condition (i) nor condition (ii) applies to the holder of the Securities, taxable income with regard to the Securities must be determined on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (*sparen en beleggen*), rather than on the basis of income actually received or gains actually realised. This deemed return on income from savings and investments has been fixed at a rate of 4% of the average of the individual's yield basis (*rendementsgrondslag*) at the beginning of the calendar year and the individual's yield basis at the end of the calendar year, insofar as the average exceeds a certain threshold. The average of the individual's yield basis is determined as the fair market value of certain qualifying assets held by the holder of the Securities less the fair market value of certain qualifying liabilities on 1 January and 31 December, divided by two. The fair market value of the Securities will be included as an asset in the individual's yield basis. The 4% deemed return on income from savings and investments will be taxed at a rate of 30%.

Non-residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is not a resident nor is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (nor has opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), such holder is not liable to Dutch tax income in respect of income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the settlement, redemption or disposal of the Securities, unless:

- (i) the holder is not an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Securities are attributable, or (2) is (other than by way of securities) entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise or a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise, which is effectively managed in the Netherlands and to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

This income is subject to Netherlands corporate income tax at up to a maximum rate of 25.5%.

- (ii) the holder is an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise or an interest in an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Securities are attributable, or (2) realises income or gains with respect to the Securities that qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*) in the Netherlands, which activities include the performance of activities in the Netherlands with respect to the Securities which exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*), or (3) is (other than by way of securities) entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise which is effectively managed in the Netherlands and to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

Income derived from the Securities as specified under (1) and (2) is subject to individual income tax at up to a maximum rate of 52%. Income derived from a share in the profits as specified under (3) that is not already included under (1) or (2) will be taxed on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (as described above under “Residents of the Netherlands”). The fair market value of the share in the profits of the enterprise (which includes the Securities) will be part of the individual's Netherlands yield basis.

Gift and Inheritance Tax

Residents of the Netherlands

Generally, gift and inheritance tax will be due in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Securities by way of a gift by, or on behalf of, or on the death of, a holder that is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and

inheritance tax at the time of the gift or his or her death. A gift made under a condition precedent is deemed to be a made at the time the condition precedent is fulfilled and is subject to Dutch gift and inheritance tax if the donor is a (deemed) resident of the Netherlands at that time.

A holder of Dutch nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift and inheritance tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands and dies or makes a gift within ten years after leaving the Netherlands. A holder of any other nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands and makes a gift within a twelve months period after leaving the Netherlands. The same twelve-month rule may apply to entities that have transferred their seat of residence out of the Netherlands.

Non-residents of the Netherlands

No gift or inheritance taxes will arise in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Securities by way of a gift by, or as a result of, the death of a holder that is neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax, unless in the case of a gift of the Securities by, or on behalf of, a holder who at the date of the gift was neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands, such holder dies within 180 days after the date of the gift, and at the time of his or her death is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands. A gift made under a condition precedent is deemed to be a made at the time the condition precedent is fulfilled.

Value Added Tax

In general, no value added tax will arise in respect of payments in consideration for the issue of the Securities or in respect of a cash payment made under the Securities, or in respect of a transfer of Securities.

Other Taxes and Duties

No registration tax, customs duty, transfer tax, stamp duty or any other similar documentary tax or duty will be payable in the Netherlands by a holder in respect of or in connection with the subscription, issue, placement, allotment, delivery or transfer of the Securities.

4. UNITED KINGDOM

The following applies only to persons who are the beneficial owners of the Securities and is a summary of the Issuer's understanding of current United Kingdom tax law and United

Kingdom HM Revenue & Customs (“HMRC”) practice relating only to certain aspects of United Kingdom taxation. It does not deal with any other United Kingdom taxation implications of acquiring, holding or disposing of Securities. Some aspects do not apply to certain classes of persons (such as persons carrying on a trade of dealing in Securities and persons connected with the Issuer) to whom special rules may apply. The United Kingdom tax treatment of prospective Holders of Securities depends on their individual circumstances and may be subject to change in the future. The precise tax treatment of a Holder of Securities will depend for each issue on the terms of the Securities, as specified in the Conditions of the Securities. Prospective Holders of Securities who may be subject to tax in a jurisdiction other than the United Kingdom or who may be unsure as to their tax position should seek their own professional advice. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Securities.

Withholding Tax

Securities issued otherwise than through the Issuer’s London branch

Payments of interest on these Securities may be made without withholding on account of United Kingdom income tax.

Securities issued by the Issuer’s London branch

Payments made in respect of the Securities may be made without deduction or withholding for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where such payments are not regarded as either interest or annual payments for United Kingdom tax purposes.

Even if such payments were to be regarded as interest or annual payments for United Kingdom tax purposes, the Issuer should not be required to withhold or deduct sums for or on account of United Kingdom income tax from payments made in respect of the Securities provided that the Securities are derivative contracts, the profits and losses arising from which are calculated in accordance with the provisions of Part 7 of the Corporation Tax Act 2009 (which broadly they should be provided that they are derivatives for the purposes of FRS25 (or International Accounting Standard 32) and are not excluded for the purposes of Part 7 of that Act by virtue of their underlying subject matter).

If interest payable on the Securities or if payments made in respect of the Securities were to be regarded as interest for United Kingdom tax purposes, provided that the Issuer’s London branch is and continues to be a bank within the meaning of section 991 of the Income Tax Act 2007 (the “**ITA 2007**”), such payments may be made without withholding or deduction for or on

account of United Kingdom income tax where the interest is paid in the ordinary course of the Issuer's London branch's business within the meaning of section 878 ITA 2007.

Payments of interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be made without deduction of or withholding for or on account of United Kingdom income tax if the Securities are and continue to be listed on a "recognised stock exchange", as defined in section 1005 of the ITA 2007. The Euronext Amsterdam is a recognised stock exchange. The Securities will therefore satisfy this requirement if they are (a) officially listed in the Netherlands in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in EEA states and are admitted to trading on the Euronext Amsterdam, or (b) admitted to trading on another "recognised stock exchange" and officially listed in a country in which there is a "recognised stock exchange" in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in EEA states. Provided, therefore, that the Securities are and remain so listed, interest on the Securities will be payable without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax whether or not the Issuer's London branch carries on a banking business in the United Kingdom and whether or not the interest is paid in the ordinary course of its business.

Interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where interest on or in respect of the Securities is paid by a company and, at the time the payment is made, the Issuer's London branch reasonably believes (and any person by or through whom interest on the Securities is paid reasonably believes) that the beneficial owner is within the charge to United Kingdom corporation tax as regards the payment of interest; provided that HMRC has not given a direction (in circumstances where it has reasonable grounds to believe that the above exemption is not available in respect of such payment of interest at the time the payment is made) that the interest should be paid under deduction of tax.

Interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where the maturity of the Securities is less than 365 days and those Securities do not form part of a scheme or arrangement of borrowing intended to be capable of remaining outstanding for more than 364 days.

In other cases, an amount must generally be withheld from payments of interest on or in respect of Securities issued by the Issuer's London branch on account of United Kingdom income tax at the basic rate (currently 20 per cent.). However, where an applicable double tax treaty provides for a lower rate of withholding tax (or for no tax to be withheld) in relation to a Holder of the Securities, HMRC can issue a notice to the Issuer's London branch to pay interest to the Holder of the Securities without deduction of tax (or for interest to be paid with tax deducted at the rate provided for in the relevant double tax treaty).

UK Information Gathering Powers

Irrespective of whether the Securities are issued by the Issuer's London branch, Holders of the Securities may wish to note that, in certain circumstances, HMRC has power to obtain information (including the name and address of the beneficial owner of the interest) from any person in the United Kingdom who either pays or credits interest to or receives interest for the benefit of a Holder of the Securities. HMRC also has power, in certain circumstances, to obtain information from any person in the United Kingdom who pays amounts payable on the redemption of Securities (which are deeply discounted securities for the purposes of the Income Tax (Trading and Other Income) Act 2005) to or receives such amounts for the benefit of another person, although HMRC published practice indicates that HMRC will not exercise the power referred to above to require this information in respect of amounts payable on the redemption of deeply discounted securities where such amounts are paid on or before 5 April 2011. Such information may include the name and address of the beneficial owner of the amount payable on redemption. Any information obtained may, in certain circumstances, be exchanged by HMRC with the tax authorities of the jurisdiction in which the Holder of the Securities is resident for tax purposes.

Stamp Taxes

For the purposes of the following paragraphs, "**Exempt Loan Capital**" means any security which constitutes loan capital ("**Loan Capital**") for the purposes of section 78 of the Finance Act 1986 ("**FA 1986**") and: (a) does not carry rights to acquire shares or securities (by way of exchange, conversion or otherwise) that are not Exempt Loan Capital; (b) has not carried and does not carry a right to interest the amount of which exceeds a reasonable commercial return on the nominal amount of the relevant security; (c) has not carried and does not carry a right to interest the amount of which falls or has fallen to be determined to any extent by reference to the results of, or any part of, a business or to the value of any property; and (d) has not carried and does not carry a right to a premium which is not reasonably comparable with amounts payable on securities listed on the London Stock Exchange.

Stamp duty on the issue of Securities

In relation to Securities in bearer form which are denominated in sterling and which are not Loan Capital, a charge to United Kingdom stamp duty at 1.5 per cent. of the value of such Securities may arise if issued in the United Kingdom. No stamp duty liability will arise on the issue of such Securities if issued outside the United Kingdom. However, in relation to Securities of that kind originally issued outside the United Kingdom, on the first transfer by delivery in the United Kingdom of any such Security a stamp duty liability at 1.5 per cent. of the value of such Security may arise. Furthermore, the issue of a Security which has

characteristics of an option or any instrument granting such a Security may be subject to United Kingdom stamp duty. However, no stamp duty liability will arise on the issue or transfer of such Securities which constitute an interest in, a right to an allotment of or to subscribe for, or an option to acquire or to dispose of Exempt Loan Capital.

Stamp duty on the transfer of Securities

No United Kingdom stamp duty should be required to be paid on transfers of Securities on sale provided no instrument of transfer is used to complete such sales.

An instrument transferring a Security on sale of the Security which is executed in the United Kingdom or which (if not executed in the United Kingdom) relates to any matter or thing done or to be done in the United Kingdom may be subject to stamp duty at a rate of 0.5 per cent. of the consideration paid for the Securities if the Securities are either not Loan Capital and do not constitute an interest in, a right to an allotment of or to subscribe for, or an option to acquire or to dispose of Exempt Loan Capital or are Loan Capital but are not Exempt Loan Capital.

Stamp duty reserve tax (“SDRT”) on the issue of Securities to a Clearance Service

No SDRT should be payable in relation to the issue of a Security to any person providing a clearance service, or a nominee for any such person, within the meaning of section 96 FA 1986 (a “**Clearance Service**”) unless the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of shares which are paired with shares (which are not “newly subscribed shares” as defined in section 99(12) FA 1986) issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

Except where an election has been made under which the alternative system of charge as provided for in section 97A FA 1986 (a “**s97A Election**”) applies, SDRT at a rate of 1.5 per cent may be payable on the issue or transfer of a Security to a Clearance Service where the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of shares which are paired with shares (which are not “newly subscribed shares” as defined in section 99(12) FA 1986) issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

The ECJ has found in C-569/07 HSBC Holdings plc and Vidacos Nominees Ltd v The Commissioners of Her Majesty’s Revenue & Customs (Case C-569/07) that the 1.5 per cent. charge is contrary to EU Community Law where shares are issued to a clearance system. HMRC has subsequently indicated that it will not levy the charge on shares issued to a clearance system within the EU. It is not clear the extent to which this decision applies to the Securities or the way in which any change in legislation or HMRC practice in response to this decision may alter the position outlined above.

SDRT on the transfer of Securities held within a Clearance Service

SDRT should generally not be payable in relation to an agreement to transfer a Security held within a Clearance Service provided that no s97A Election has been made.

SDRT on the transfer of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made

In the case of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or Securities held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made, no SDRT should be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer a Security unless the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of either: (i) stocks, shares or loan capital for the purposes of section 99(3) FA 1986 which are not Exempt Loan Capital and which are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom; or (ii) shares which are paired with shares issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom, unless (in either case) that Security is in bearer form.

In the case of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or Securities held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made, SDRT should generally be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer a Security where the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of either: (i) stocks, shares or loan capital for the purposes of section 99(3) FA 1986 which are not Exempt Loan Capital and which are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom; or (ii) shares which are paired with shares issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom, unless (in either case) that Security is in bearer form. SDRT would be payable at a rate of 0.5 per cent. of the consideration given under an agreement to transfer such Securities, unless the transfer is to a depository for a Clearance Service or to a person issuing depository receipts (or to an agent or nominee of such a person) where SDRT may be payable at a rate of 1.5 per cent..

Stamp duty and SDRT on the exercise or redemption of the Securities

Stamp duty and SDRT may also be payable on the transfer of an asset on physical settlement of the Securities.

5. LUXEMBOURG

The following summary is of a general nature and is included herein solely for information purposes. It is based on the laws presently in force in Luxembourg, though it is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice. Prospective investors in the Securities should therefore consult their own professional advisers as to the effects of state, local or foreign laws, including Luxembourg tax law, to which they may be subject.

TAXATION OF THE HOLDERS OF SECURITIES

Withholding Tax

(i) Non-resident holders of Securities

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the laws of 21 June 2005 (the “**Laws**”) mentioned below, there is no withholding tax on payments of principal, premium or interest made to non-resident holders of Securities, nor on accrued but unpaid interest in respect of the Securities, nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of the Securities held by non-resident holders of Securities.

Under the Laws implementing the Council Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments and ratifying the treaties entered into by Luxembourg and certain dependent and associated territories of EU Member States (the “**Territories**”), payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the immediate benefit of an individual beneficial owner or a residual entity, as defined by the Laws, which is resident of, or established in, an EU Member State (other than Luxembourg) or one of the Territories will be subject to a withholding tax unless the relevant recipient has adequately instructed the relevant paying agent to provide details of the relevant payments of interest or similar income to the fiscal authorities of his/her/its country of residence or establishment, or, in the case of an individual beneficial owner, has provided a tax certificate issued by the fiscal authorities of his/her country of residence in the required format to the relevant paying agent. Where withholding tax is applied, it is currently levied at a rate of 20 per cent. and will be levied at a rate of 35 per cent. as of 1 July 2011. Responsibility for the withholding of the tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent. Payments of interest under the Securities coming within the scope of the Laws would at present be subject to withholding tax of 20 per cent.

(ii) Resident holders of Securities

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the law of 23 December 2005 as amended (the “**Law**”) mentioned below, there is no withholding tax on payments of principal, premium or interest made to Luxembourg resident holders of Securities, nor on accrued but unpaid interest in respect of Securities, nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of Securities held by Luxembourg resident holders of Securities.

Under the Law payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the benefit of an individual beneficial owner who is resident of Luxembourg will be subject to a withholding tax of 10 per cent. Such withholding tax will be in full discharge of income tax if the beneficial owner is an individual acting in the course of the management of his/her private wealth. Responsibility for the withholding of the

tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent. Payments of interest under the Securities coming within the scope of the Law would be subject to withholding tax of 10 per cent.

7. Switzerland

The following is a general summary of the Issuer's understanding of certain Swiss tax consequences in relation to dealings in the Securities according to the currently valid Swiss tax laws and the Swiss tax authorities' practice as of the date of publication of the LaunchPAD programme. This outline is a summary and not exhaustive and does not take into consideration possible special circumstances of some investors. Tax laws and the tax authorities' practice may undergo changes (or their interpretation or application may change) and their validity might also be retroactive.

Potential investors should consult their own tax advisors, legal advisers or financial consultants regarding their personal tax situation when entering into transactions with reference to the Securities.

- (a) **General Information.** The Swiss tax treatment of notes, bonds and other financial instruments are primarily regulated pursuant to the conditions set forth in the Circular Letter no. 15 of the Federal Tax Administration regarding the treatment of Bonds and Derivatives Financial Instruments for the purpose of the Federal Income Tax, Federal Withholding Tax and Federal Stamp Duties, as published on 7 February 2007. These rules are usually also applied by the Cantonal and Communal tax authorities. It should be noted that the Swiss tax terms "notes" and "bonds" are not consistent with the corresponding terms stipulated by Swiss security laws and the international or foreign understanding of such terms.
- (b) **Swiss Stamp Taxes.** The issuance of Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer is in general not subject to the Swiss Issue Stamp Tax ("**Emissionsabgabe**"). Secondary market transactions of Securities which are considered as (debt) financing instruments, share-like products, fund-like products and Low Exercise Price Options (LEPO) on shares with maturity more than one year and the issuance of fund-like Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer are subject to the Swiss Securities Transfer Tax, provided that a Swiss securities dealer ("**Effekthändler**"), as defined in art. 13 para. 3 of the Swiss Federal Act on Stamp Duties ("**Stempelabgabengesetz**"), is a party to the Securities transaction or acts as an intermediary thereto. Certain exemptions may, inter alia, apply with regard to institutional investors such as mutual funds, life insurance companies and social security institutions. Pure derivatives for Swiss tax purposes like options and futures do normally not classify as taxable securities and are therefore not

subject to Swiss Issue Stamp Tax and Swiss Securities Transfer Tax. If upon the exercise or redemption of a Security an underlying security is delivered to the holder of the Security, the transfer of the underlying security may be subject to Swiss Securities Transfer Tax.

- (c) **Swiss Withholding Tax.** Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer are in general not subject to Swiss withholding tax. Payments or credit of (deemed) interest or dividends on a Security issued by a Swiss resident issuer may be subject to Swiss federal withholding tax at a rate of 35 %. This may apply likewise to payments or credits of yield from Securities which classify for tax purposes as fund-like products. The holder of a Security who is resident in Switzerland may be entitled to a full refund of or a full tax credit for the Swiss federal withholding tax, subject to conditions being met. A non Swiss resident holder of a Security may be able to claim a full or partial refund of the Swiss federal withholding tax if such a holder is entitled to claim benefits with regard to such a payment of a double taxation treaty between Switzerland and his or her country of residence.
- (d) **Swiss Income Tax Treatment for Securities Held by Private Investors (Individuals) with Tax Residence in Switzerland as Part of their Private Assets.** Payments or credits received by a holder of a Security, which are considered in a Swiss tax perspective as dividends or interests, are subject to income tax. Gains or losses realised upon a sale or other disposition by individuals with tax residence in Switzerland holding a Security as part of their private assets (private capital gain or losses) are in general not subject to Swiss Income Tax and are not deductible from taxable income respectively. However, capital gains may be subject to income taxation, if a Security qualifies as predominant one-time interest paying bond. Also gains or losses realised by buying or selling of pure derivatives for Swiss tax purposes (options and futures) are not subject to income tax as they are considered as tax-exempt capital gains or losses. Whether a Security generates taxable income (dividend and interest) or tax-exempt capital gains is depending on certain features of the Security (1-delta pay-off, reverse convertible, guaranteed coupon payments or capital protection etc.), on the underlying of the Security and on the maturity of the Security. Some Securities may be divided into taxable bonds and a tax-exempt option (or combinations of options) provided that the Security is, for Swiss tax purposes, made transparent by the issuer. A Security is considered transparent if the value on issuance of its bond and its option components can be determined separately. Under the condition of transparency, the option premium paid by the issuer is exempt from income taxation (where otherwise applicable); taxation is limited to the interest of the bond part which would have been paid for an

investment in a comparable straight bond of the same issuer with a similar term and the same currency at market conditions. If the interest part of the Security is paid as a one-time compensation, the so-called “modifizierte Differenzbesteuerung” may apply in each case of pre-maturity sale or redemption of the Security. If a Security is not made transparent for Swiss tax purposes (only if the security needs to be transparent for Swiss tax purposes) the total payment to the investor (except the repayment of the invested capital) could be considered as taxable income.

- (e) **Swiss Income Tax Treatment for Securities Held by Swiss Resident Entities or Individuals as Part of Business Assets.** Income of any kind realised from Securities as part of business assets of individuals (including deemed securities dealers for Swiss tax purposes) or entities in Switzerland are subject to personal income tax or corporate income tax respectively as part of their overall net income.
- (f) **Wealth Taxation of Securities Held by Private Investors (Individuals) with Tax Residence in Switzerland.** The market value of the Securities may be subject to wealth tax levied on overall net wealth of individuals with tax residence in Switzerland, regardless of whether the Securities are held as part of their private or business assets.
- (g) **EU Savings Tax.** On 26 October 2004, the European Community and Switzerland entered into an agreement on the taxation of savings income pursuant to which Switzerland adopts measures equivalent to those of the European Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on the taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments. The agreement came into force as of 1 July 2005. On the basis of this agreement, Switzerland introduced a withholding tax on interest payments and other similar income paid by a paying agent within Switzerland to an individual resident in an EU member state. The withholding tax is withheld at a rate of 15 % for the first three years beginning with 1 July 2005, 20 % for the next three years and 35 % thereafter, with the option of such an individual to have the paying agent and Switzerland provide to the tax authorities of the Member State details of the payments in lieu of the withholding. The beneficial owner of the interest payments may be entitled to a tax credit or refund of the withholding, if any, provided that that certain conditions are met. Securities issued under this programme may be subject to EU Savings Tax. The qualification regarding “in scope” or “out of scope” of the EU Savings Tax is depending on certain features of the Security and on the underlying of the Security.

SELLING RESTRICTIONS

The statements which follow are of a general nature. Potential purchasers in each jurisdiction must ensure that they are able validly to take delivery of the Securities and any assets into which they may convert or be settled. Additional certifications may be required by the Issuer and/or any clearance system at the time of exercise and/or settlement.

1. GENERAL

No action has been or will be taken by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuer.

2. PUBLIC OFFER SELLING RESTRICTION UNDER THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a “**Relevant Member State**”), the Issuer represents and agrees that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the “**Relevant Implementation Date**”) it has not made and will not make an offer of Securities which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Base Prospectus as completed by the final terms in relation thereto to the public in that Relevant Member State except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of Securities to the public in that Relevant Member State:

- (a) if the final terms in relation to the Securities specify that an offer of those Securities may be made other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State (a “**Non-exempt Offer**”), following the date of publication of a prospectus in relation to such Securities which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State provided that any such prospectus has subsequently been completed by the final terms contemplating such Non-exempt Offer, in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, in the period beginning and ending on the dates specified in such prospectus or final terms, as applicable;

- (b) at any time to legal entities which are authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorised or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;
- (c) at any time to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than €13,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts;
- (d) at any time to fewer than 100 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive); or
- (e) at any time in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive,

provided that no such offer of Securities referred to in (b) to (e) above shall require the Issuer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “**offer of Securities to the public**” in relation to any Securities in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Securities, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression “**Prospectus Directive**” means Directive 2003/71/EC and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

3. THE NETHERLANDS

Securities which qualify as savings certificates as defined in the Savings Certificates Act (“*Wet inzake spaarbewijzen*”) may only be transferred or accepted through the mediation of either the Issuer or an admitted institution of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. with due observance of the Savings Certificates Act and its implementing regulations (including registration requirements), provided that no mediation is required in respect of:

- (a) the initial issue of those Securities to the first holders thereof;
- (b) any transfer and delivery by individuals who do not act in the conduct of a profession or trade; and
- (c) the issue and trading of those Securities, if they are physically issued outside The Netherlands and are not distributed in The Netherlands in the course of primary trading or immediately thereafter.

4. UNITED STATES

No Securities of any Series have been, or will be, registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), and trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “**CFTC**”) under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (the “**CEA**”). No Securities of any Series, or interests therein, may at any time be offered, sold, resold or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person.

Offers, sales, resales or deliveries of Securities of any Series, or interests therein, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons would constitute a violation of United States securities laws unless made in compliance with the registration requirements of the Securities Act or pursuant to an exemption therefrom. In addition, in the absence of relief from the CFTC, offers, sales, resales, trades or deliveries of Securities, or interests therein, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons, may constitute a violation of United States law governing commodities trading.

Securities having a maturity of more than one year will be issued in compliance with U.S. Treas. Reg. §1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(C) (the “**C Rules**”). Securities having a maturity of one year or less are not subject to the C Rules and will be referred to in the relevant Final Terms as a transaction to which the C Rules are not applicable.

The Securities subject to the C Rules may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States, except in certain transactions permitted by U.S. tax regulations. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder.

The Issuer will require each dealer participating in the distribution of Securities subject to the C Rules to agree that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver, directly or indirectly, the Securities in the United States or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States. Further, the Issuer and each dealer to which it sells the Securities will represent and agree that in connection with the original issuance of such Securities that it has not communicated, and will not communicate, directly or indirectly, with a prospective purchaser if such purchaser is within the United States and will not otherwise involve its U.S. office in the offer or sale of such Securities. The terms used in the preceding sentence (and not otherwise defined below) have the meanings given to them by the Code and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder, including the C Rules.

As used herein, “**United States**” means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia), its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction; and “**U.S. person**” means (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (iii) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (iv) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (v) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (ii) above; (vi) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (i) to (v) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the CFTC's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (vii) any other “U.S. Person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act or in regulations adopted under the CEA.

Notice to Purchasers and Holders of Restricted Securities and Transfer Restrictions

Each purchaser of Securities will, by its purchase of such Securities, be deemed to acknowledge, represent and agree as follows:

- (a) that trading in the Securities has not been and will not be approved by the CFTC under the CEA;
- (b) that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver, directly or indirectly, any Securities of such Series so purchased in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (c) that it is not purchasing any Securities of such Series for the account or benefit of any U.S. person;
- (d) that it will not make offers, sales, resales or deliveries of any Securities of such Series (otherwise acquired), directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (e) that it will send each person who purchases any Securities of such issue from it a written confirmation (which shall include the definitions of United States and U.S. person set forth herein) stating that the Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, that

trading in the Securities has not been approved by the CFTC under the CEA and stating that such purchaser agrees that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver any of such Securities, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;

- (f) that no U.S. person or person in the United States may at any time trade or maintain a position in the instruments and that a person entitled to receive an interim payment or exercising (or entitled to receive any amount at maturity or exercise under) the instrument will be required to certify that neither it nor the beneficial owner of the instrument is a U.S. person or is located in the United States;
- (g) that any person exercising a Security will be required to represent that it is not a U.S. person; and
- (h) if it is outside the United States and is not a U.S. person, that if it should resell or otherwise transfer the Securities prior to 40 Days after the closing of the offer of the relevant Securities, it will do so only (a) outside the United States in compliance with Rule 903 or 904 under the Securities Act and (b) in accordance with all applicable United States state securities laws; and it acknowledges that the Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by the Issuer:

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

5. UNITED KINGDOM

The Issuer represents, warrants and agrees that it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "FSMA")) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Securities in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA would not, if the Issuer was not an authorised person, apply to the Issuer and it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to any Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

6. INDIA

Any purchase of the Securities relating to or linked to securities listed on a stock exchange in India or indices that reference such securities should be made on the understanding that the purchaser shall be deemed to acknowledge, represent, warrant and undertake to the Group that:

- (a) it consents to the provision by the Group to any Indian governmental or regulatory authority of any information regarding it and its dealings in the Securities as required under applicable Indian regulations and/or as requested by any Indian governmental or regulatory authority;
- (b) it agrees to promptly provide to the Group, or directly to the relevant Indian governmental or regulatory authority (and confirm to the Group when it has done so), such additional information that the Group deems necessary or appropriate in order for the Group to comply with any such regulations and/or requests;
- (c) the Securities are not being purchased for the account of or pursuant to or in connection with any back-to-back transaction with: (i) a Person Resident in India as the term is used in the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999; or (ii) a “Non-Resident Indian”, a “Person of Indian Origin” or an “Overseas Corporate Body”, as such terms are used in the Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) Regulations 2000 as notified by the Reserve Bank of India; or (iii) any entity or person that is not regulated (as such term is used in the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Institutional Investors Amendment) Regulations, 2004) (each, a “**Restricted Entity**”) or a nominee of a Restricted Entity;
- (d) it is not a Restricted Entity or a nominee of a Restricted Entity;
- (e) it will not, directly or indirectly, sell, transfer, assign, novate or otherwise dispose of the Securities to or for the account of any Restricted Entity or to any nominee of any Restricted Entity; and
- (f) any sale, transfer, assignment, novation or other disposal of the Securities by it, whether direct or indirect, will be subject to the acquiring entity giving substantially the same representations and warranties to it as set out in sub-paragraphs (c) to (f) (inclusive).

The Securities have not been approved by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, Reserve Bank of India or any other regulatory authority of India, nor have the foregoing authorities approved this Base Prospectus or confirmed the accuracy or determined the adequacy of the information contained in this Base Prospectus. This Base Prospectus has not been and will not

be registered as a prospectus or a statement in lieu of prospectus with the Registrar of Companies in India.

Prospective investors must seek legal advice as to whether they are entitled to subscribe to the Securities and must comply with all relevant Indian laws in this respect. Each investor is deemed to have acknowledged and agreed that it is eligible to invest in the Securities under applicable laws and regulations and that it is not prohibited under any law or regulation in India from acquiring, owning or selling the Securities.

7. HONG KONG

The Securities may not be offered or sold in Hong Kong, by means of any document, other than (i) to persons whose ordinary business is to buy and sell shares and debentures (whether as principal or agent); or (ii) to “professional investors” within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder (the “SFO”); or (iii) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a “prospectus” within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong) or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of that Ordinance. Unless permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong, no Holder may issue or have in its possession for the purpose of issue any advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Securities whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere, which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong other than with respect to the Securities intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong, or only to “professional investors” within the meaning of the SFO.

8. SINGAPORE

This Base Prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore under the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the “SFA”). Accordingly, this Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Securities may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the Securities be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to any person in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor specified in Section 274 of the SFA; (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA; or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Each of the following relevant persons specified in Section 275 of the SFA which has subscribed or purchased Securities, namely a person who is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an accredited investor,

should note that shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest in that trust shall not be transferable for 6 months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Securities under Section 275 of the SFA except:

- (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA or to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A) of the SFA, and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA;
- (ii) where no consideration is given for the transfer;
- (iii) by operation of law; or
- (iv) pursuant to Section 276(7) of the SFA.

9. TAIWAN

The Securities may not be sold, offered or issued in Taiwan unless they are made available for purchase through the non discretionary trust services of licensed Taiwan banks or the brokerage services of licensed Taiwan brokers acting as trustees or agents, as applicable, of their customers and not as agent of the Issuer or any other party.

10. SWITZERLAND

Securities issued under this Programme which are not listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. do not qualify for public distribution in or from Switzerland according to Article 5 of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes. Accordingly, such Securities may not be publicly distributed in or from Switzerland and neither this Programme, any Final Terms nor any marketing material relating to the Securities may be distributed in connection with such distribution, unless a special simplified prospectus is prepared setting forth any and all information which may be required to be disclosed in a simplified prospectus pursuant to Art. 5 of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes and any implementing ordinance or

other applicable act or regulation or self-regulation in the Final Terms or a separate document (the "Simplified Prospectus"). Any Term Sheet prepared shall be subject to the Final Terms and the Simplified Prospectus, if any, for the relevant Securities. If no Simplified Prospectus is prepared, the Securities may only be offered and the Programme, any Final Terms or any marketing material may only be distributed in or from Switzerland to qualified investors according to the applicable provisions of the Collective Investment Scheme Act ("CISA") in such a way that there is no public marketing or offering in or from Switzerland as defined pursuant to the most restrictive interpretation of the applicable Swiss laws and regulations.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Authorisation

The Issuer's managing board, in its capacity as the Issuer's representative, is responsible for issuing debt instruments. The Issuer's managing board has delegated the issue of debt instruments, including the Securities, to the Group Asset and Liability Committee pursuant to a resolution dated 1 April 2010. In addition, the issue of Securities has been approved by the Issuer's supervisory board pursuant to a resolution dated 1 April 2010 and in accordance with the Issuer's articles of association. All consents, approvals, authorisations or other orders of all regulatory authorities required by the Issuer under the laws of The Netherlands have been given for the issue of the Securities.

Listing

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market for Securities issued up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus to be admitted to trading and to be listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market. Certain Securities issued under this Base Prospectus may not be listed. For so long as the Securities are listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext and NYSE Euronext requires so there will be a paying agent in The Netherlands. ABN AMRO Bank N.V. MF 2020 Kemelstede 2, P.O. Box 3200, 4800 DE Breda, The Netherlands, has been appointed as the initial paying agent in The Netherlands.

Documents available

During the validity of this Base Prospectus, copies of the following documents will, when published, be available, free of charge, from the registered office of the Issuer and from the specified office of the Agent:

- (a) the most recent Articles of Association of the Issuer;
- (b) the consolidated audited financial statements of RBS Holdings N.V. in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2009 together with the audit reports thereon;
- (c) all future consolidated financial statements of the Issuer;
- (d) a copy of the Registration Document;
- (e) all documents incorporated herein by reference;
- (f) a copy of this Base Prospectus; and
- (g) the applicable Final Terms.

The Registration Document, copies of all documents incorporated by reference and other documents as mentioned above, are accessible at <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive> and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group Investor Relations, 280 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 207 672 1758, email investor.relations@rbs.com or at the registered office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom.

Clearing and settlement systems

The Securities have been accepted for clearance through Clearstream Banking AG (“**Clearstream AG**”), Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (“**Euroclear Netherlands**”), Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V. (“**Euroclear Luxembourg**”), Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme* (“**Clearstream, Luxembourg**”) and SIX SIS Ltd (“**SIX SIS Ltd**”). The appropriate WKN, Common Code, International Securities Identification Number and Valoren for each Series allocated by Clearstream AG, Euroclear Netherlands, Euroclear, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Luxembourg and SIX SIS Ltd, and any other relevant security code allocated by any other relevant clearing system, will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Securities are to clear through an additional or alternative clearing system the appropriate additional or alternative information will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. Transactions will normally be effected for settlement not earlier than three days after the date of the transaction.

Information on the Offering of the Securities

(a) Offer Process

For a short period prior to the Launch Date, if specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities of the relevant Series may be offered by the Issuer for subscription to prospective investors but the Issuer reserves the right to close subscription early. The Issuer anticipates that it will deliver the Final Terms in respect of each Series of the Securities which are to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange prior to the Launch Date specified in the Final Terms. On or about the Launch Date the Issuer will, pursuant to its agreement with NYSE Euronext or any other Stock Exchange, as the case may be, offer to buy or sell the Securities of any Series to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam or any other stock exchange (as applicable). Any such trading, if any, will be on an as, if and when issued basis until the Issue Date specified in the applicable Final Terms. Except in the case of dematerialised or SIS cleared Securities, the Securities will be issued in global bearer form and all trades will be settled in the applicable clearing systems on their usual basis for secondary market transactions.

Securities may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on such other or further stock exchanges or markets as the Issuer may decide. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities and/or Securities not admitted to trading on any market.

(b) **Description of the Application and Payment Process for a Prospective Purchaser**

Applications for Securities may be made by a prospective purchaser through any broker, financial adviser, banker, financial intermediary or other agent acting in such a capacity (each a “**Selling Agent**”) which has a relationship with the Issuer governing the sale of the Securities. Pursuant to anti-money laundering regulations, prospective purchasers who are not an existing client of a Selling Agent may be required by their Selling Agent of choice to complete an anti-money laundering form and to provide further evidence of identification in advance of applying for any Securities.

Each prospective purchaser should ascertain from its Selling Agent of choice when that Selling Agent will require receipt of cleared funds from its clients in respect of applications for Securities and the manner in which payment should be made to the Selling Agent. Each Selling Agent may impose different arrangements relating to the purchase of Securities and prospective investors should contact the Selling Agents directly for information concerning such arrangements. Applicants for Securities who arrange to purchase the Securities through a Selling Agent should note that in doing so they are assuming the credit risk of the relevant Selling Agent and that such arrangements will be subject to the applicable conditions of the relevant Selling Agent.

(c) **Conditions to Which the Offer is Subject**

The offer, in respect of a particular Series of Securities is subject to the Conditions as set out in this Base Prospectus, the relevant Final Terms and any document incorporated by reference (see *Documents Incorporated by Reference*).

(d) **Minimum/Maximum Application Amount**

Investors are required to subscribe for a minimum of one (1) Security and thereafter in multiples of one (1) Security unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the relevant Series of the Securities. There is no maximum subscription amount unless otherwise stated in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the relevant Series of the Securities.

(e) **Scale-back and Cancellation**

The Issuer reserves the right, prior to the Issue Date, in its absolute discretion to:

1. decline in whole or in part an application for Securities such that a prospective purchaser for Securities may, in certain circumstances, not be issued the number of (or any) Securities for which it has applied (“**Scale-back**”); or
2. withdraw, cancel or modify the offer of the Securities (“**Cancellation**”).

The Issuer may Scale-back or Cancel the Securities without notice and will notify prospective investors of such Scale-back or Cancellation after such Scale-back or Cancellation has occurred. In the event that the Securities are not issued, no subscription monies shall be payable by prospective purchasers to the Issuer (either directly or indirectly through a Selling Agent (as defined above)) in respect of the Securities. Prospective purchasers should contact their Selling Agent of choice for details of the arrangements for the return of application monies in such circumstances. The Issuer shall have no responsibility for, or liability arising out of, the relationship between prospective purchasers and their respective Selling Agents and clearing system operators, including, without limitation, in respect of arrangements concerning the return of monies by such persons to their clients.

(f) **Details of the Manner in Which the Results of the Initial Offer are to be Made Public**

A prospective investor submitting an offer to purchase Securities will be notified of the acceptance or otherwise of such application on or prior to the Issue Date.

(g) **Categories of Investors to which Securities are Offered**

The Securities will be offered to both retail and qualified investors.

(h) **Expenses and Taxes**

Any expenses are described in the relevant Product Conditions and Final Terms for the relevant Series and will be deducted accordingly. For further information on taxes, please refer to the section titled (“Taxation”).

(i) **Post-issuance information**

The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information.

(j) **Description of the Securities**

Mini certificates are either (i) open ended investment instruments without a fixed maturity or expiration date, which can either be exercised by the Holder, or (ii)) fixed maturity or expiration date, which will be exercised automatically following a Final Valuation Date, open ended and fixed maturity mini certificates can be terminated by the Issuer following an Issuer Call, and may automatically terminate if the Underlying (as defined below) reaches a pre-determined level. Following any such event, the mini certificates pay an amount determined by reference to the value of the underlying currency, commodity, index (including in the case of an

index, the index and its constituent elements), stock, bond, basket or other product on one or more specified days, subject to the certificate entitlement. The types of certificates that may be issued under this Base Prospectus are described below.

Mini certificates track in a linear manner the Underlying either on an open ended basis or until the relevant Final Valuation Date. The amount needed to invest in a mini certificate to give the same participation rate in the Underlying as a direct investment in the Underlying is considerably less. Therefore the percentage gain if the Underlying rises (in the case of mini long certificates) or falls (in the case of mini short certificates) and the percentage loss if the Underlying falls is much higher in Mini certificates than as a direct investment in the Underlying.

Mini long certificates enable the investor to profit from rising markets. Mini long certificates track the Underlying. If the value of the Underlying rises, the value of the mini long certificate will rise by an equivalent amount, taking into account any applicable foreign exchange rate. The difference between a mini long certificate and an ordinary certificate is that in the case of the mini long certificate, the amount needed to invest to give the same participation rate in the Underlying is usually considerably less.

Mini short certificates enable the investor to profit from declining markets. Mini short certificates track the Underlying in an inverse manner. If the value of the Underlying drops, the value of the mini short certificate will rise by an equivalent amount, taking into account any applicable foreign exchange rate. The difference between a mini short certificate and an ordinary certificate is that in the case of the mini short certificate, the amount needed to invest to give the same inverse participation rate in the Underlying is usually considerably less.

The maximum loss to an investor in Mini certificates is the initial amount invested. A feature of Mini certificates is the Stop-loss which, if breached, will result in the early termination of the mini certificate.

Commodity certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a commodity. A wide range of commodities may become the Underlying in relation to a commodity Mini certificate.

Currency certificates give their Holder exposure to interest rate differences between two currencies. A range of currencies may become the Underlying in relation to a currency Mini certificate.

Single stock certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a share. A range of shares may become the Underlying in relation to a single stock Mini certificate.

Index certificates are certificates where the Underlying is an index. A range of indices may become the Underlying in relation to an index Mini certificate.

Government bond certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a futures contract related to a Government bond. A range of Government bond futures contracts may become the Underlying in relation to a Government bond Mini certificate.

Commodity forward and future certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a forward or future contract related to a commodity. A range of commodity forward and futures contracts may become the Underlying in relation to a commodity forward or future Mini certificate.

Fund certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a fund. A range of funds may become the Underlying in relation to a fund Mini certificate.

Rolling mini certificates observe certain elements to determine whether adjustments need to be made to any of the terms and conditions of the certificates to maintain the leverage within certain limits, these elements include but are not limited to the current leverage factor, the level of the Underlying and the value of the certificates. In addition to such adjustments, the Holder could be entitled to an interim payment.

Index future certificates are certificates where the Underlying is a future contract related to an index. A range of index future contracts may become the Underlying in relation to an index future Mini certificate.

Third Party Information

Where information has been sourced from a third party, the Issuer confirms that this information has been accurately reproduced and that as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

CONDITIONS: GENERAL CONDITIONS

The General Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the Product Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these General Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Product Conditions or the applicable Final Terms and, if not so defined, shall be inapplicable. References in these General Conditions to interest and Coupons (and related expressions) shall be ignored in the case of Securities which do not bear interest. References in these General Conditions to the Conditions shall mean these General Conditions and, in relation to any Securities, the Product Conditions applicable to those Securities.

2. STATUS

The Securities constitute unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.

3. EARLY TERMINATION

The Issuer shall have the right to terminate the Securities if it shall have determined in its absolute discretion that its performance thereunder shall have become unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance in good faith by the Issuer with any applicable present or future law, rule, regulation, judgement, order or directive of any governmental, administrative, legislative or judicial authority or power (“**Applicable Law**”). In such circumstances the Issuer will, however, if and to the extent permitted by the Applicable Law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination (ignoring such illegality) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holder in accordance with General Condition 4.

4. NOTICES

- (a) Notices to Holders shall be given by the delivery of the relevant notice to the Clearing Agent(s) with an instruction from the Issuer to the Clearing Agent(s) to communicate such notice to the Holders. The Issuer shall also ensure that notices are duly published, to the extent required, in a manner which complies (i) with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Securities are for the time being listed or in the country in which such Securities have been admitted to trading and (ii) with any relevant legislation.

In addition, for Securities listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Issuer shall have the right but (without prejudice to the previous sentence) shall not be obliged to publish notices in electronic form on the internet website of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd (http://www.six-exchange-regulation.com/publications/communiqués/official_notices_en.html) if and so long as the Securities are listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

- (b) Any such notice issued pursuant to General Condition 4(a) by being delivered to the Clearing Agent(s) will be deemed to have been given on the date of the delivery of such notice to the Clearing Agent(s). Any such notice issued pursuant to General Condition 4(a) by being published will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication (for the avoidance of doubt, such notice having been published by any valid means) or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers.

5. HEDGING DISRUPTION

- (a) Notification. The Issuer shall as soon as reasonably practicable give instructions to the Calculation Agent to notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4(a): (i) if it determines that a Hedging Disruption Event has occurred; and (ii) of the consequence of such Hedging Disruption Event as determined by the Issuer pursuant to General Condition 5(c).
- (b) Hedging Disruption Event. A “**Hedging Disruption Event**” shall occur if the Issuer acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, determines that it is or has become not reasonably practicable or it has otherwise become undesirable, for any reason, for the Issuer or any Hedge Provider wholly or partially to (i) hold, acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of a relevant hedging transaction (a “**Relevant Hedging Transaction**”) or asset it deems necessary, appropriate or desirable to hedge the Issuer's obligations in respect of the Securities or (ii) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such transaction(s) or asset(s). The

reasons for such determination by the Issuer may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (i) the Issuer or any Hedge Provider will, whether directly or indirectly, incur a material increase (as compared with circumstances existing on the Issue Date) in the amount of tax, duty, expense (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit or other adverse effect on its tax position) or fee (other than brokerage commissions) provided that any such materially increased amount that is incurred solely due to the deterioration of the creditworthiness of the Issuer or the Hedge Provider shall not be considered for the purposes of this sub-paragraph (i); or
- (ii) any material illiquidity in the market for, or any mandatory redemption in whole or in part of, the relevant instruments (the “**Disrupted Instrument**”) which from time to time are included in the reference asset to which the Securities relate; or
- (iii) a change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law) or the promulgation of, or change in, the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority); or
- (iv) a material decline in the creditworthiness of a party with whom the Issuer has entered into any such Relevant Hedging Transaction; or
- (v) the general unavailability of: (A) market participants who will agree to enter into a Relevant Hedging Transaction; or (B) market participants who will so enter into a Relevant Hedging Transaction on commercially reasonable terms.

In the Conditions:

“**Hedge Position**” means any purchase, sale, entry into or maintenance of one or more (i) positions or contracts in reference assets to which the Securities relate, securities, options, futures, derivatives or foreign exchange, (ii) securities lending transactions or (iii) other instruments or arrangements (however described) by the Issuer in order to hedge the Issuer’s risk of issuing, and performing its obligations with respect to, the Securities; and

“**Hedge Provider**” includes but is not limited to the Issuer, any associate, subsidiary or affiliate thereof and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland plc and/or any other party(ies) and/or any special purpose vehicle(s) holding or entering into a Hedge Position in connection with the Issuer’s hedging arrangements in respect of the Securities.

- (c) Consequences. The Issuer, in the event of a Hedging Disruption Event, may determine to:
- (i) terminate the Securities. In such circumstances the Issuer will, however, if and to the extent permitted by the Applicable Law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable), any such amount to be paid under this General Condition shall not be less than the present value of such minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holder in accordance with General Condition 4;
 - (ii) make an adjustment in good faith to the relevant reference asset by removing the Disrupted Instrument at its fair market value (which may be zero). Upon any such removal the Issuer may: (A) hold any notional proceeds (if any) arising as a consequence thereof and adjust the terms of payment and/or delivery in respect of the Securities; or (B) notionally reinvest such proceeds in other reference asset(s) if so permitted under the Conditions (including the reference asset(s) to which the Securities relate);
 - (iii) make any other adjustment to the Conditions as it considers appropriate in order to maintain the theoretical value of the Securities after adjusting for the relevant Hedging Disruption Event. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date, any such adjustment will in no way affect the Issuer's obligations to make payment to the Holders not less than the minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons on the relevant Settlement Date or Maturity Date, or Interest Payment Date, as applicable.

- (d) The Issuer may also make adjustments to the Conditions if it determines that an event has occurred which, whilst not a Hedging Disruption Event or other disruption event as specified in Product Condition 4, is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's Hedge Position. Where the Issuer makes adjustments to the Conditions pursuant to this General Condition 5(d), the Issuer shall notify the Holders thereof and shall offer to purchase from Holders for a period of not less than 10 days any Securities held by them at their fair market value (as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner and taking into account the proposed adjustment) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements.

6. PURCHASES, FURTHER ISSUES BY THE ISSUER AND PRESCRIPTION

- (a) Purchases. The Issuer or any affiliate may purchase Securities at any price in the open market or by tender or private treaty. Any Securities so purchased may be held, surrendered for cancellation or reissued or resold, and Securities so reissued or resold shall for all purposes be deemed to form part of the original series of Securities.
- (b) Further Issues. The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Holders or any of them to create and issue further securities so as to be consolidated with and form a single series with the Securities.
- (c) Prescription. Any Security or Coupon which is capable of presentation and is not so presented by its due date for presentation shall be void, and its value reduced to zero, if not so presented within five years of such due date. For the avoidance of doubt, any Securities which are subject to provisions relating to their exercise shall be void, and their value shall be zero, if not exercised in accordance with their provisions.

7. DETERMINATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

- (a) Determinations.
 - (i) In making any determinations and calculations under these Conditions, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. All such determinations and calculations by the Issuer and the Calculation Agent shall, in the absence of manifest error, be final and binding.
 - (ii) Whilst it is intended that the Issuer and the Calculation Agent will employ the methodology described in the Conditions to make determinations in respect of the Securities, no assurance can be given that market, regulatory, judicial or fiscal circumstances or, without limitation, any other circumstances will not

arise that would necessitate a modification or change in such methodology in order that the Securities replicate as closely as possible investments in the assets underlying the Securities and its components. The Issuer and the Calculation Agent may make any such modification or change to such methodology that it considers necessary to reflect such circumstances.

- (iii) Calculations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in respect of the Securities shall be made on the days specified herein; however, notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else contained in these Conditions, should the Issuer or the Calculation Agent determine that in order to give effect to the methodology described in these Conditions it is necessary to make calculations on a day or days other than that specified, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to make such calculations on such calendar day or days as it shall determine.
 - (iv) Due to timing considerations, process requirements and other matters that would, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent, be relevant in relation to the implementation of asset allocation models, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent may need to make appropriate adjustments to the methodology set out in the terms and conditions as it considers necessary in order to reflect the timing and amounts that would be applicable were the Issuer or the Calculation Agent physically implementing the methodology set out in the Securities.
- (b) **Modifications.** The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders or any of them, modify any provision of the Conditions which is: (i) of a formal, minor or technical nature; (ii) made to correct a manifest error; or (iii) in its absolute discretion, not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders. Notice of any such modification will be given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 but failure to give, or non-receipt of, such notice will not affect the validity of any such modification.

8. SUBSTITUTION

- (a) **Substitution of Issuer.** The Issuer may at any time without the consent of the Holders substitute for itself as issuer of the Securities with regard to any and all rights, obligations and liabilities under and in connection with the Securities:
 - (A) The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, registered in Scotland under No. 90312, with its registered office at 36 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YB, (“**RBS Plc**” or the “**Substitute**”) subject to the Issuer having given at least 30 days' prior

notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

(B) any entity other than RBS Plc (also, the “**Substitute**”), subject to:

either (x):

- (i) the Issuer having given at least 30 days' prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
- (ii) the Issuer or RBS Plc having issued a legal, valid and binding guarantee of the obligations and liabilities of the Substitute under the Securities for the benefit of each and any of the Holders;

or (y):

- (i) the Issuer having given at least three months' prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
- (ii) each Holder, from (and including) the date of such notice, to (and including) the date of such substitution, being entitled to terminate the Securities held by such Holder without any notice period in which event the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, pay to such Holder with respect to each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by the Issuer as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide for a minimum assured return of principal or a minimum assured return of interest or other payments, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable) any such amount to be paid shall not be less than the present value of the minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4;

and in each case subject to all actions, conditions and things required to be taken, fulfilled and done (including the obtaining of any necessary consents) to ensure that the Securities represent legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substitute having been taken, fulfilled and done and being in full force and effect.

In the event of any substitution of the Issuer, any reference in the Conditions to the Issuer shall from such time be construed as a reference to the Substitute.

- (b) Substitution of Office. The Issuer shall have the right upon notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 to change the office through which it is acting and shall specify the date of such change in such notice.

9. TAXATION

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty, withholding or other similar payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Securities. In relation to each Security the relevant Holder shall pay all Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions. All payments or, as the case may be, deliveries in respect of the Securities will be subject in all cases to all applicable fiscal and other laws and regulations (including, where applicable, laws requiring the deduction or withholding for, or on account of, any tax duty or other charge whatsoever). The Holder shall be liable for and/or pay any tax, duty or charge in connection with the ownership of and/or any transfer, payment or delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Holder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable such amount, as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment.

10. REPLACEMENT OF SECURITIES AND COUPONS

If any Security or Coupon is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed it may be replaced at the specified office of the Principal Agent (or such other place of which notice shall have been given to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4) upon payment by the claimant of the expenses incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Securities and Coupons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued. This General Condition will not apply to Securities issued in dematerialised form.

11. ADJUSTMENTS FOR EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION

- (a) Redenomination. The Issuer may, without the consent of any Holder, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 elect that, with effect from the Adjustment Date specified in such notice, certain terms of the Securities shall be redenominated in euro. The election will have effect as follows:
- (i) where the Settlement Currency is the National Currency Unit of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, such Settlement Currency shall be deemed to be an amount of euro converted from the original Settlement Currency into euro at the Established Rate, subject to such provisions (if any) as to rounding as the Issuer may decide and as may be specified in the notice, and after the Adjustment Date, all payments in respect of the Securities will be made solely in euro as though references in the Securities to the Settlement Currency were to euro;
 - (ii) where the Conditions contain a rate of exchange or any of the Conditions are expressed in a National Currency Unit (the “**Original Currency**”) of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, such rate of exchange and/or any other terms of the Conditions shall be deemed to be expressed in or, in the case of a rate of exchange, converted for or, as the case may be into, euro at the Established Rate; and
 - (iii) such other changes shall be made to the Conditions as the Issuer may decide to conform them to conventions then applicable to instruments expressed in euro.
- (b) Adjustment to Conditions. The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 make such adjustments to the Conditions as the Issuer may determine to be appropriate to account for the effect of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty on the Conditions.
- (c) Euro Conversion Costs. Notwithstanding General Condition 11(a) and/or General Condition 11(b), none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall be liable to any Holder or other person for any commissions, costs, losses or expenses in relation to or resulting from the transfer of euro or any currency conversion or rounding effected in connection therewith.

- (d) Definitions Relating to European Economic and Monetary Union. In this General Condition, the following expressions have the meanings set out below.

“**Adjustment Date**” means a date specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Holders pursuant to this Condition which falls on or after the date on which the country of the Original Currency or, as the case may be, the Settlement Currency first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty;

“**Established Rate**” means the rate for the conversion of the Original Currency or, as the case may be, the Settlement Currency (including compliance with rules relating to rounding in accordance with applicable European community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to Article 123 of the Treaty;

“**National Currency Unit**” means the unit of the currency of a country as those units are defined on the day before the country first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty; and

“**Treaty**” means the treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

12. AGENTS

- (a) Principal Agent and Agents. The Issuer reserves the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of any Agent and to appoint further or additional Agents, provided that no termination of appointment of the principal agent (the “**Principal Agent**”) shall become effective until a replacement Principal Agent shall have been appointed and provided that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are listed on any stock exchange or publicly offered in any jurisdiction, there shall be an Agent having a specified office in each country required by the rules and regulation of each such stock exchange and each such jurisdiction and provided further that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are in registered form, there shall be a Registrar and a Transfer Agent (which may be the Registrar), if so specified in the relevant Product Conditions. Notice of any appointment, or termination of appointment, or any change in the specified office, of any Agent will be given to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. Each Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders or any of them. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by an Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Holders.

- (b) Calculation Agent. The Issuer or such other Calculation Agent as specified in the applicable Final Terms, shall undertake the duties of calculation agent (the “**Calculation Agent**” which expression shall include any successor calculation agent or assignee as approved by the Issuer) in respect of the Securities unless the Issuer decides to appoint a successor Calculation Agent in accordance with the provisions below.

The Issuer reserves the right at any time to appoint another institution as the Calculation Agent provided that no termination of appointment of the existing Calculation Agent shall become effective until a replacement Calculation Agent shall have been appointed. Notice of any termination or appointment will be given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

The Calculation Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by the Calculation Agent (whether or not the Issuer) shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Holders.

The Calculation Agent may, with the consent of the Issuer (if it is not the Issuer), delegate any of its obligations and functions to a third party as it deems appropriate.

13. SURRENDER OF UNMATURED COUPONS

Each Security should be presented for redemption, where applicable, together with all unmatured Coupons relating to it. Upon the due date for redemption of any Security, where applicable, all unmatured Coupons relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect thereof. This General Condition will not apply to Securities issued in dematerialised form.

14. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

No rights are conferred on any person under the English Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any Condition. The preceding sentence shall not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

15. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

- (a) The Securities and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Securities, are governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English law.
- (b) The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations) (a “**Dispute**”) arising from or in connection with the Securities).

- (c) Subparagraph (b) is for the benefit of the Holders only. As a result, nothing prevents any Holder from taking proceedings relating to a Dispute (“**Proceedings**”) in any other courts with jurisdiction. To the extent allowed by law, Holders may take concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.
- (d) The Issuer agrees that the courts of England are the most appropriate and convenient courts to settle any Dispute and, accordingly, that it will not argue to the contrary.

16. METHOD OF PAYMENT

For purposes of any payment on a Security, the Clearing Agents may not be United States persons, as defined for United States Federal income tax purposes, and their respective specified offices may not be located in the United States or any of its possessions. No payment on a Security shall be made by transfer to an account in the United States (including its possessions) or by cheque mailed to an address in the United States (including its possessions).

17. COMMISSIONS, FEES AND REBATES

From time to time, the Issuer may make payments or receive the benefit of payments in relation to the issue of Securities including the following:

- (a) The Issuer may pay to a distributor, sales agent or other intermediary fees or commissions. Such fees or commissions are generally required to be disclosed by distributors, sales agents or intermediaries which, in each case, are EEA investment firms or credit institutions to their clients. Each potential investor in the Securities should satisfy itself as to the amount of any fees or commissions received by intermediaries;
- (b) The Issuer may receive or pay management or other fees from or to third parties. Where such fees are payable, further details of them will be set out in the relevant Final Terms; and
- (c) The Issuer may make payments to or receive the benefit of generic commission, discount and rebate arrangements from Hedge Providers and other transaction counterparties. Such arrangements will be as agreed between the Issuer and the third parties.

The Issuer reserves the right to retain any amounts received without any obligation to pass the benefit of the rebates to investors in the Securities.

18. EVENTS OF DEFAULT

If any one or more of the following events (each an “**Event of Default**”) shall occur and be continuing:

- (a) default is made for more than 30 days in the payment of interest or principal in respect of the Securities; or
- (b) the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Securities and such failure has continued for the period of 60 days next following the service on the Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (c) an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding up of the Issuer (excluding a solvent winding up solely for the purposes of a reconstruction, amalgamation, reorganisation, merger or consolidation in connection with which The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc or any of its subsidiaries assumes the obligations of the Issuer as principal debtor in respect of the Securities),

then any Holder may, by written notice to the Issuer at the specified office of the Principal Agent, effective upon the date of receipt thereof by the Principal Agent, declare the Security held by the holder to be forthwith due and payable whereupon the same shall become forthwith due and payable at the Early Redemption Amount (as defined below), together with accrued interest (if any) to the date of repayment, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind.

“Early Redemption Amount” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such Event of Default. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable), any such amount to be paid under this General Condition shall not be less than the present value of such minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY MINI LONG CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) Upon Exercise:
 $(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Current Financing Level}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or
- (b) Upon an Issuer Call:
 $(\text{Termination Reference Price} - \text{Current Financing Level}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or
- (c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “Clearing Agent” and together the “Clearing Agents”);

“**Commodity**” means the commodity specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Funding Cost.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Commodity or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall not be less than the

“**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or

substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other

taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the bid-price of the Commodity quoted on the Reuters page referred to in the definition of Commodity for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the bid-price of the Commodity on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined on a daily basis by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Commodity are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Securities” means each Series of the commodity mini long certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Trading Day” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the bid low price of the Commodity quoted on the Reuters page specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms is at any time on any Trading Day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, less than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; plus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Commodity as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding

of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be at most the lowest level of the Commodity during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day or, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“Termination Reference Price” means an amount equal to the bid-price of the Commodity on the Reuters page referred to in the definition of Commodity for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“Trading Day” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“Trigger Event” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“Valuation Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “Holder” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the

respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly

completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:

- (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration

of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price for the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (b) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Commodity; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Launch Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date and/or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY MINI SHORT CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “Agents” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) Upon Exercise:
 $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or
- (b) Upon an Issuer Call:
 $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Termination Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or
- (c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Current Financing Level – Stop Loss Termination Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “Clearing Agent” and together the “Clearing Agents”);

“**Commodity**” means the commodity specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Funding Cost.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Commodity or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall not be less than the

“**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or

substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Date**” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other

taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the ask-price of the Commodity quoted on the Reuters page referred to in the definition of Commodity for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the ask-price of the Commodity on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined on a daily basis by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360.

The Funding Cost can be a negative number;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Commodity are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Securities” means the commodity mini short certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Trading Day” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the high ask price of the Commodity quoted on the Reuters page specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms is at any time on any Trading Day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, greater than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; minus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Commodity as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding

of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be at most the highest level of the Commodity during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day or, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“Termination Reference Price” means an amount equal to the ask-price of the Commodity on the Reuters page referred to in the definition of Commodity for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“Trading Day” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“Trigger Event” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“Valuation Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the

Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly

completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:

- (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration

of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price for the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (b) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Commodity; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Launch Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date and/or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO CURRENCY MINI LONG CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) Upon Exercise:
 $(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Current Financing Level}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or
- (b) Upon an Issuer Call:
 $(\text{Termination Reference Price} - \text{Current Financing Level}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or
- (c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Funding Cost.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Commodity or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall (subject to any rounding) not be less than the “**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing

Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Date**” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or if Final Reference Price is not so specified, an amount equal to the bid-price of the Underlying FX Rate quoted on Reuters page EUROFX/1 at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date

as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the bid-price of the Underlying FX Rate on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined on a daily basis by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate for the Financing Level Currency plus Current Spread minus the Prevailing Rate for the Settlement Currency (or Underlying Currency where Underlying Currency is defined); multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360.

The Funding Cost may be negative;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3 unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency or the Settlement Currency (or Underlying Currency where Underlying Currency is defined in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) (as appropriate) in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency

of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Days**” means the number of days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means the currency mini long certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark,

Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the low price of the Underlying FX Rate quoted on the Reuters page specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms on any day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, is less than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such low price is available, the low price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; plus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be equal to the higher of (i) the fair value price of the Underlying FX Rate as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis and (ii) the lowest level of the Underlying FX Rate during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Business Day or, if such date is a Saturday or a Sunday or if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Business Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“Termination Reference Price” means an amount as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or if Termination Reference Price is not so specified, an amount equal to the bid-price of the Underlying FX Rate quoted on Reuters page EUROFX/1 at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“Trigger Event” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Underlying Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such currency is so specified, shall not be applicable;

“Underlying FX Rate” means the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“Valuation Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the

Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly

completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:

- (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration

of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. If it becomes impossible to obtain the Underlying FX Rate on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, in the inter-bank market; or
- (b) Governmental Default. If with respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (c) Inconvertibility/non-transferrability. The occurrence of any event which (i) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Underlying FX Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Financing Level Currency or (ii) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Financing Level Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Financing Level Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Financing Level Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (d) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalization or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Financing Level Currency; or

- (e) Illiquidity. Any impossibility in obtaining a firm quote for the Underlying FX Rate or the Financing Level Currency for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (f) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Underlying FX Rate.

The Calculation Agent may make such adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it consider it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO CURRENCY MINI SHORT CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) Upon Exercise:
 $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or
- (b) Upon an Issuer Call:
 $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Termination Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or
- (c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Current Financing Level – Stop Loss Termination Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Funding Cost.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Commodity or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall (subject to any rounding) not be less than the “**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing

Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Date**” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or if Final Reference Price is not so specified, an amount equal to the ask-price of the Underlying FX Rate quoted on Reuters page EUROFX/1 at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date

as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the ask-price of the Underlying FX Rate on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined on a daily basis by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate for the Financing Level Currency minus Current Spread minus the Prevailing Rate for the Underlying Currency; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360.

The Funding Cost may be a negative number;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call Date**” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3 unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has

occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency or the Settlement Currency (or Underlying Currency where Underlying Currency is defined in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) (as appropriate) in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful

currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Days**” means the number of days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means the currency mini short certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland,

Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the high price of the Underlying FX Rate quoted on the Reuters page specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms on any day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, is greater than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such high price is available the high price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; minus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be equal to the higher of (i) the fair value price of the Underlying FX Rate as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis and (ii) the highest level of the Underlying FX Rate during the day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Business Day or, if such date is a Saturday or a Sunday or if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the Business Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“Termination Reference Price” means an amount as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or if Termination Reference Price is not so specified, an amount equal to the ask-price of the Underlying FX Rate quoted on Reuters page EUROFX/1 at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“Trigger Event” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Underlying Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or if no such currency is so specified, shall not be applicable;

“Underlying FX Rate” means the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Days (shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Underlying FX Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“Valuation Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the

Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly

completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:

The Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or

- (i) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (ii) The Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration

of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. If it becomes impossible to obtain the Underlying FX Rate on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, in the inter-bank market; or
- (b) Governmental Default. If with respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (c) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (i) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Underlying FX Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Financing Level Currency or (ii) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Financing Level Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Financing Level Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Financing Level Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (d) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Financing Level Currency; or

- (e) Illiquidity. Any impossibility in obtaining a firm quote for the Underlying FX Rate or the Financing Level Currency for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (f) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Underlying FX Rate.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO SINGLE STOCK MINI LONG CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) Upon Exercise:
(Final Reference Price – Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or
- (b) Upon an Issuer Call:
(Termination Reference Price – Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or
- (c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price – Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Funding Cost; and minus
- (c) Notional Dividend Amounts.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Share or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including,

without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall not be less than the “**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Date**” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Share on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Notional Dividend Amount” means, if “Notional Dividend Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the sum of the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Share which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional Dividend Period net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty without regard to any tax credits;

“Notional Dividend Period” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each period from (but excluding) the Launch Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, Issuer Call Date, the Valuation Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date and thereafter from (but excluding) the Reset Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, the Issuer Call Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if

the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“**Prevailing Rate**” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Share are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means the single stock mini long certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Share**” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4, and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Company**” means the share company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the price of the Share on the Exchange is at any time on any Trading Day, other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, less than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; plus

(b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Share as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be at least the lowest price of the Share during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period**” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day or, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount equal to the price of the Share on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange and Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or the Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Trigger Event**” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation

Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Share or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if

applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.

- (b) **Stop Loss Event.** Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) **Issuer Call.** Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.
- (g) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

 - (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;

- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
 - (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.

- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (m) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise): (A) the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or (B) any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Share on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash,

securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

(c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:

- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
- (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to fully account for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If

options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or before or during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period.

“Nationalisation” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“Insolvency” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company, (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO SINGLE STOCK MINI SHORT CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) Upon Exercise:
 $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or
- (b) Upon an Issuer Call:
 $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Termination Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or
- (c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Current Financing Level – Stop Loss Termination Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Funding Cost; and minus
- (c) Notional Dividend Amounts.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Share or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including,

without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall not be less than the “**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Date**” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Share on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360.

The Funding Cost may be a negative number;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Notional Dividend Amount” means, if “Notional Dividend Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the sum of the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Share which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional Dividend Period without regard to any withholding tax or other deductions multiplied by the prevailing dividend percentage payable under market standard stock borrow agreements, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“Notional Dividend Period” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each period from (but excluding) the Launch Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, Issuer Call Date, the Valuation Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date and thereafter from (but excluding) the Reset Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, the Issuer Call Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Share are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a

Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means the single stock mini short certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Share**” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4, and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Company**” means the share company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the price of the Share on the Exchange is at any time on any Trading Day, other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, greater than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to

adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; minus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Share as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be at most the highest price of the Share during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period**” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day or, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount equal to the price of the Share on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange and Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or the Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Trigger Event**” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Share or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least (i) the Issuer Call Notice Period notice, of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any

circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise): (A) the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or (B) any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Share on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or

- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
 - (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (ii) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, or (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (C) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (v) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (vi) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether

out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (vii) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

(c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:

- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
- (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to fully account for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective

date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (i) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (iii) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or before or during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period.

“Nationalisation” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“Insolvency” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company, (i) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (ii) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX MINI LONG CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

(a) Upon Exercise:

(Final Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or

(b) Upon an Issuer Call:

(Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or

(c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Funding Cost; and minus
- (c) if specified to be applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, Notional Dividend Amounts, and if specified to be inapplicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, Notional Dividend Amounts shall be disregarded in the calculation of Current Financing Level.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Index or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Current Stop Loss Premium” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall not be less than the **“Minimum Premium”** nor greater than the **“Maximum Premium”** (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the **“Current Stop Loss Premium Rate”**) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts

outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the **“Shares”**) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“Exercise Date” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Final Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“Financing Level Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Funding Cost” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Index” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Notional Dividend Amount” means, if “Notional Dividend Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the sum of the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Shares which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional

Dividend Period net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty without regard to any tax credits;

“**Notional Dividend Period**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each period from (but excluding) the Launch Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, the Issuer Call Date, the Valuation Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date and thereafter from (but excluding) the Reset Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“**Prevailing Rate**” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency in the inter-bank market of with a maturity of either three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by

reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means the index mini long certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the level of the Index (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) is at any time on any Trading Day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption

Event, less than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such level is available the level will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“Stop Loss Price” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; plus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Stop Loss Reset Date” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Stop Loss Reset Time” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“Stop Loss Termination Date” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“Stop Loss Termination Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be equal to at least the lowest level of the Index during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day or, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“Termination Reference Price” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call

Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Trigger Event**” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes

except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such

term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn

after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

- (l) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or

impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise), (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index, if in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below.
- (i) If the Index is: (A) not calculated and announced by the Index sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
- (ii) If: (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date, during or prior to the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or on or prior to the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date, during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or on

the Issuer Call Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price, the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price or the Termination Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or during the Stop Loss Valuation Period as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account. (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the shares comprising the Index (the “**Shares**”) of: (i) Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with

respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Launch Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX MINI SHORT CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

(a) Upon Exercise:

(Current Financing Level – Final Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or

(b) Upon an Issuer Call:

(Current Financing Level – Termination Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or

(c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Current Financing Level – Stop Loss Termination Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Funding Cost; minus
- (c) if specified to be applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, Notional Dividend Amounts, and if specified to be inapplicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, Notional Dividend Amounts shall be disregarded in the calculation of Current Financing Level.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Index or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Current Stop Loss Premium” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall not be less than the **“Minimum Premium”** nor greater than the **“Maximum Premium”** (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the **“Current Stop Loss Premium Rate”**) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts

outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the **“Shares”**) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“Exercise Date” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360.

The Funding Cost may be a negative number;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Notional Dividend Amount” means, if “Notional Dividend Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the sum of the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Shares which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional

Dividend Period without regard to any withholding tax or other deductions multiplied by the prevailing dividend percentage payable under market standard stock borrow agreements, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“Notional Dividend Period” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each period from (but excluding) the Launch Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, the Issuer Call Date, the Valuation Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date and thereafter from (but excluding) the Reset Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the

Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means the index mini short certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) is at any time on any Trading Day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the

Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, greater than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such level is available the level will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“Stop Loss Price” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; minus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Stop Loss Reset Date” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Stop Loss Reset Time” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“Stop Loss Termination Date” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“Stop Loss Termination Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be at most the highest level of the Index during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day or, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“Termination Reference Price” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call

Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Trigger Event**” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes

except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such

term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn

after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

- (l) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in

the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise), (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index, if in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below.
- (i) If the Index is: (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
- (ii) If: (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date, during or prior to the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or on or prior to the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date, during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or on

the Issuer Call Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price, the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price or the Termination Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period, as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account. (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of: (i) Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its

terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Launch Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO GOVERNMENT BOND MINI LONG CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) Upon Exercise:
(Final Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or
- (b) Upon an Issuer Call:
(Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or
- (c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Handling Cost; minus
- (c) if such determination is to be made on a Rollover Date, the corresponding Rollover Spread.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Reference Asset or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment

in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall (subject to any rounding) not be less than the “**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Date**” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Trading Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the closing Reference Asset Price on the Exchange (Floor Trading) at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market-making spreads, on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Handling Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined on a daily basis by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Reference Asset” means the Reference Asset as of the Launch Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter a financially equivalent reference asset (the **“Substitute Asset”**) selected by the Issuer. On the Rollover Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer shall make its selection of the Substitute Asset and on such date the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours, effect substitution of the

Reference Asset for the Substitute Asset at the Rollover Spread and thereafter the Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“Reference Asset Price” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the applicable Screen page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day; or (c) the Business Day following any Rollover Date if such Rollover Date falls during the scheduled month for delivery of the Reference Asset, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Rollover Date” means the date or period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Rollover Spread” means the fair value spread calculated as the price determined by the Issuer for liquidating its related hedging arrangements for the Reference Asset minus the price determined by the Issuer for establishing its related hedging arrangements for the Substitute Asset during the substitution of the Reference Asset for the Substitute Asset by reference to liquidity in the Reference Asset and the Substitute Asset. The Rollover Spread may be a negative number;

“Securities” means the government bond mini long certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Trading Day” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Stop Loss Event” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Reference Asset Price (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) on the Exchange on any Trading Day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, is less than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“Stop Loss Price” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; plus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Reference Asset Price as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be at most the lowest level of the Reference Asset Price during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period**” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day or, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Price on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market-making spreads, on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Trading Hours**” means as regards each Exchange its regular scheduled opening hours on each Trading Day;

“**Trigger Event**” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the Exchange (Floor Trading), or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed

accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in

the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.

- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or (ii) the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent, or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the

Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) **Price Source Disruption.** The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event; or
- (b) **Trading Suspension.** The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or

- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content, composition of the Reference Asset Price; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Launch Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the Reference Asset Price on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date and/or the Issuer Call Date and/or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Governmental Default. If with respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event

of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (j) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the Governmental Authority; or
- (k) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (l) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country to which the Reference Asset is in fact referenced.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO GOVERNMENT BOND MINI SHORT CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) Upon Exercise:
 $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Final Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or
- (b) Upon an Issuer Call:
 $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Termination Reference Price}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or
- (c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Current Financing Level – Stop Loss Termination Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; minus
- (b) Handling Cost; minus
- (c) if such determination is to be made on a Rollover Date, the corresponding Rollover Spread.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Reference Asset or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment

in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall (subject to any rounding) not be less than the “**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Date**” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Trading Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the closing Reference Asset Price on the Exchange (Floor Trading) at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market-making spreads, on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Handling Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined on a daily basis by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360.

The Handling Cost may be a negative number;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call Date**” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Issuer Call Notice Period**” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Reference Asset**” means, initially the Reference Asset as of the Launch Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter a financially equivalent reference asset (the “**Substitute Asset**”) selected by the Issuer. On the Rollover Date specified as such

in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer shall make its selection of the Substitute Asset and on such date the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours, effect substitution of the Reference Asset for the Substitute Asset at the Rollover Spread and thereafter the Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“Reference Asset Price” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the applicable Screen page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day; or (c) the Business Day following any Rollover Date if such Rollover Date falls during the scheduled month for delivery of the Reference Asset, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Rollover Date” means the date or period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Rollover Spread” means the fair value spread calculated as the price determined by the Issuer for liquidating its related hedging arrangements for the Reference Asset minus the price determined by the Issuer for establishing its related hedging arrangements for the Substitute Asset during the substitution of the Reference Asset for the Substitute Asset by reference to liquidity in the Reference Asset and the Substitute Asset. The Rollover Spread may be a negative number;

“Securities” means the government bond mini short certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Trading Day” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Stop Loss Event” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Reference Asset Price (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) on the Exchange on any Trading Day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, is greater than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“Stop Loss Price” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to

adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; minus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Stop Loss Reset Date” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Stop Loss Reset Time” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“Stop Loss Termination Date” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“Stop Loss Termination Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Reference Asset Price as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be at most the highest level of the Reference Asset Price during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“Termination Reference Price” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Price on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market-making spreads, on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“Trading Day” means any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“Trading Hours” means as regards each Exchange its regular scheduled opening hours on each Trading Day;

“Trigger Event” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“Valuation Time” means the close of trading on the Exchange (floor trading), or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the **“Global Security”**) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by

the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the

term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) **Exercise.** Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) **Stop Loss Event.** Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) **Issuer Call.** Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period months notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.

- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such

term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent, or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn

after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

- (l) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) **Price Source Disruption.** The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event; or

- (b) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content, composition of the Reference Asset Price; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Launch Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the Reference Asset Price on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date and/or the Issuer Call Date and/or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Governmental Default. If with respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of

payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (j) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the Governmental Authority; or
- (k) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (l) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country to which the Reference Asset is in fact referenced.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS AND COMMODITY FUTURE CONTRACTS MINI
LONG CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

(a) Upon Exercise:

(Final Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or

(b) Upon an Issuer Call:

(Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or

(c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Handling Cost; minus
- (c) if such determination is to be made on a Rollover Date, the corresponding Rollover Spread.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Reference Asset or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Current Stop Loss Premium” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall (subject to any rounding) not be less than the **“Minimum Premium”** nor greater than the **“Maximum Premium”** (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the **“Current Stop Loss Premium Rate”**) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts

outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities; “**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Date**” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Trading Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the closing Reference Asset Price on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market making spreads, on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Handling Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined on a daily basis by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Reference Asset” means the Reference Asset as of the Launch Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours on the Rollover Date, effect substitution of a financially equivalent reference asset (the

“**Substitute Asset**”) selected by the Issuer. Thereafter the Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“**Reference Asset Price**” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the applicable Screen page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day or, if a Rollover Date occurs in such month, the Reset Date will be the Business Day following such Rollover Date, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Rollover Date**” means the date or period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Rollover Spread” means the fair value spread calculated as the price determined by the Issuer for liquidating its related hedging arrangements for the Reference Asset minus the price determined by the Issuer for establishing its related hedging arrangements for the Substitute Asset during the substitution of the Reference Asset for the Substitute Asset by reference to liquidity in the Reference Asset and the Substitute Asset. The Rollover Spread may be a negative number;

“Securities” means the commodity forward contracts and commodity future contracts mini long certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Trading Day” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Stop Loss Event” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Reference Asset Price (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) at any time on any Trading Day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, is less than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“Stop Loss Price” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; plus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Reference Asset as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be at most the lowest level of the Reference Asset Price during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period**” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Price on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market making spreads, on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to the regular weekday closing time;

“**Trading Hours**” means as regards each Exchange its regular scheduled opening hours on the Rollover Date;

“**Trigger Event**” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent, or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such

laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (m) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event; or
- (b) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or

- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Reference Asset Price; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Launch Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the Reference Asset Price on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date and/or the Issuer Call Date and/or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS AND COMMODITY FUTURE CONTRACTS MINI
SHORT CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

(a) Upon Exercise:

(Current Financing Level – Final Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or

(b) Upon an Issuer Call:

(Current Financing Level – Termination Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or

(c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Current Financing Level – Stop Loss Termination Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; minus
- (b) Handling Cost; minus
- (c) if such determination is to be made on a Rollover Date, the corresponding Rollover Spread.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Reference Asset or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall (subject to any rounding) not be less than the “**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts

outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“Exercise Date” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Trading Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the closing Reference Asset Price on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market-making spreads, on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Handling Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined on a daily basis by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Reference Asset” means the Reference Asset as of the Launch Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours on the Rollover Date, effect substitution of a financially equivalent reference asset (the

“**Substitute Asset**”) selected by the Issuer. Thereafter the Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“**Reference Asset Price**” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable contract factor (the value of 1.0 future’s point) specified on the applicable Screen page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day or, if a Rollover Date occurs in such month the Business Day, the Reset Date will be following such Rollover Date, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Rollover Date**” means the date or period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Rollover Spread” means the fair value spread calculated as the price determined by the Issuer for liquidating its related hedging arrangements for the Reference Asset minus the price determined by the Issuer for establishing its related hedging arrangements for the Substitute Asset during the substitution of the Reference Asset for the Substitute Asset by reference to liquidity in the Reference Asset and the Substitute Asset. The Rollover Spread may be a negative number;

“Securities” means the commodity forward contracts and commodity future contracts mini short certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Trading Day” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Stop Loss Event” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Reference Asset Price (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) at any time on any Trading Day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, is greater than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“Stop Loss Price” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; minus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded up in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Reference Asset as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be at most the highest level of the Reference Asset Price during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period**” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day or, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Price on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market-making spreads, on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Trading Hours**” means as regards each Exchange its regular scheduled opening hours on the Rollover Date;

“**Trigger Event**” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such

laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) **Price Source Disruption.** The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event; or
- (b) **Trading Suspension.** The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) **Disappearance of Price.** The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or

- (d) **Material Change in Formula.** The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or
- (e) **Material Change in Content.** The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Reference Asset Price; or
- (f) **De Minimis Trading.** The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) **Tax Disruption.** The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Launch Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the Reference Asset Price on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date and/or the Issuer Call Date and/or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) **Trading Limitation.** The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) **Other Events.** Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO FUND MINI LONG CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to the Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) Upon Exercise:
 $(\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Current Financing Level}) \times \text{Entitlement}$, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or
- (b) Upon an Issuer Call:

(Termination Reference Price – Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or

(c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price – Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is applicable, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Funding Cost; and minus
- (c) Notional Dividend Amounts.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Fund or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Current Stop Loss Premium” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall not be less than the **“Minimum Premium”** nor greater than the **“Maximum Premium”** (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the **“Current Stop Loss Premium Rate”**) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts

outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

(v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means, with respect to a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“Exercise Date” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the Reference Asset Price for the Valuation Date and where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, at the Valuation Time, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such Reference Asset Price can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the Reference Asset Price for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Final Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“Financing Level Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund” means the fund specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Fund Administrator” means, in respect of the Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“Fund Adviser” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“Fund Business Day” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day on which the fund manager, affiliate, agent, or intermediary platform through which the Issuer may contract (via a trading agreement or other ancillary document) is available to receive requests to subscribe and/or redeem Reference Assets;

“Fund Documents” means, with respect to any Fund or Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Prospectus” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Service Provider” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“Funding Cost” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Hedging Agreement” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“Inclusion Date” means (i) in respect of the Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

- (i) An Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Issuer Call Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Merger Event” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender

offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Notional Dividend Amount**” means, if “Notional Dividend Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of a Reference Asset which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional Dividend Period net of applicable withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty without regard to any tax credits;

“**Notional Dividend Period**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each period from (but excluding) the Launch Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, Issuer Call Date, Stop Loss Termination Date or the Valuation Date and thereafter from (but excluding) the Reset Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, the Issuer Call Date, Stop Loss Termination Date or the Valuation Date;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“**Prevailing Rate**” means the rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either, three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Reference Asset” means the relevant interests specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, where the Reference Assets are not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Fund is not an exchange traded fund, the relevant interests in each Fund;

“Reference Asset Price” means:

- (a) where the Fund is not an exchange traded fund:
 - (i) if specified as NAV in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the NAV of the Fund as quoted by the fund manager of the Fund for any Trading Day; and
 - (ii) if specified as Trading Price in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the trading price of the Fund as quoted by the fund manager of the Fund for any Trading Day; or
- (b) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange for any Trading Day;

“Related Exchange” means, with respect to a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, an options or future exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Fund are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Party” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“Replacement Fund” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(b)(ii). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Securities” means each Series of the fund mini long certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities Trading Day” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Stop Loss Event” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms the Reference Asset Price for any Trading Day, from and including the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the

Calculation Agent, a Fund Event, is less than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price or level is available the price or level will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; plus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms as “**Stop Loss Price Rounding**”. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the day the Reference Asset Price is made available for the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion on the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Date, equal to the share-weighted average of the Reference Asset Prices at which the hedging position in the Reference Assets was redeemed during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Date**” means the day the Reference Asset Price is made available for the last Trading Day during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period**” means a reasonable period immediately following the Stop Loss Event, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, which shall be determined by the number of Trading Days taken to redeem the Reference Assets according to the redemption procedure relating to the Reference Assets as set out in the constitutive documents for such Fund (excluding any period during which a Fund Event is continuing). The Issuer shall submit a duly

completed request to redeem the Reference Assets within three hours of the Stop Loss Event and for the avoidance of any doubt, such submission may occur on the Fund Business Day following such Stop Loss Event if the Stop Loss Event occurs less than 3 hours prior to the cut-off time the fund manager, affiliate, agent, or intermediary platform through which the Issuer may contract (via a trading agreement or other ancillary document) is available to receive requests to subscribe and/or redeem shares of the Fund;

“Substitution Date” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“Termination Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the Reference Asset Price for the Issuer Call Date and where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, at the Valuation Time, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such Reference Asset Price can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the Reference Asset Price for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Trading Day” means unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been) (i) in respect of a Fund, a day on which dealing in the Fund can take place including but not limited to a day on which subscription or redemption of Reference Assets takes place (without giving effect to any gating, deferral, suspension or other similar provision to delay or refuse a duly completed and timely submitted request to redeem Reference Assets on such day) or (ii) in respect of a Fund that is an exchange traded fund, any day that is a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“Trigger Event” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Issuer or Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) an Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines

that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(b) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in dematerialised form, the Securities are represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance

with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”) (if applicable). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a

Notice (as defined below) prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.

- (b) **Stop Loss Event.** Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) **Issuer Call.** Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) **Cash Settlement.** Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) **Notice.** All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;

- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
 - (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (h) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.

- (i) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (m) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Fund Events. Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.
 - (i) Global Events:
 - (A) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund’s portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above

that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

(B) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.

(C) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the

case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.

- (D) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.
- (E) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity

not described in clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(a)(i)(E)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(a)(i)(E)(a) through 4(a)(i)(E)(f) above.

- (F) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (G) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (H) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
- (I) In respect of any Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.

- (J) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Reference Assets held by them.
- (K) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
- (L) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.
- (ii) NAV/Price and Reporting:
 - (A) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Reference Assets on the Exchange.

- (B) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.
- (C) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefore set out in such documents.
- (D) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.
- (E) (i) In respect of any Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event;
(ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation,

any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Reference Assets).

(iii) Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Reference Assets occurs:

- (A) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (B) a portion of each Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of "side-pocket" which affects the Reference Assets;
- (C) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (D) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Reference Assets so that their price is

no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund; or

(iv) Trading and Fees:

(A) In respect of the Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Reference Assets as of such date).

(B) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.

(C) The frequency at which Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.

(D) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Reference Assets or is entitled to a Notional Dividend Amount and:

(I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or Notional Dividend Amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus;
or

(II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or the Notional Dividend Amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its

affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any Notional Dividend Amount.

- (v) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:
 - (A) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.
 - (B) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.
 - (C) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.
 - (D) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Reference Assets.
 - (vi) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in subparagraphs (i) to (v) above.
- (b) Consequences of a Fund Event. In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a **“Permitted Action”**):

- (i) (A) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (B) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
- (ii) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (A) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (B) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (C) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or
- (iii) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iv) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (A) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (B) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (A) or (B) of this clause 4(b)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (C) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (A), (B) or (C), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(b), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

(c) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:

- (i) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.
- (ii) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in

respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.

- (iii) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.
- (d) The Issuer shall give notice in accordance with General Condition 4 of any calculation or determination made by it or the Calculation Agent pursuant to this Product Condition 4 as soon as practicable after it has been made. The Issuer shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such calculations and determinations.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO ROLLING MINI LONG CERTIFICATES ON AN INDEX

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 11;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearing system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount

(which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formulae:

(i) promptly following a Re-Financing Event:

$[1 + (1 / \text{Target Leverage Factor})] \times \text{Re-Financing Reference Price}$; and otherwise

(ii) (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus

(b) Funding Cost; minus

(c) Notional Dividend Amount, if specified to be “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, otherwise Notional Dividend Amount shall be disregarded in the calculation of Current Financing Level.

The Funding Cost will be added to the Current Financing Level prior to the opening of trading on the Exchange on each Trading Day.

On the Launch Date the Current Financing Level shall be the Initial Current Financing Level.

“**Current Leverage Factor**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of any Trading Day, a number determined by the Calculation Agent at the Valuation Time in accordance with the following formula:

$\text{Reference Price at the Valuation Time} / (\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Reference Price at the Valuation Time})$

On the Launch Date the Current Leverage Factor shall be the Target Leverage Factor;

“**Current Participation Factor**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in relation to a Re-Financing Event and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, a number calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$\text{Target Leverage Factor} \times \text{Security Value} / \text{Re-Financing Reference Price}$

For the avoidance of any doubt, where the Current Participation Factor is being adjusted following an Interim Settlement Event, the Security Value in the above mentioned formula shall be the Security Value following the deduction of the Interim Settlement Amount.

On the Launch Date the Current Participation Factor shall be the Initial Current Participation Factor;

“**Current Spread**” means a per annum percentage rate as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Calculation Agent may adjust the Current Spread on each Reset Date, but in any event, the Current Spread will not exceed the “**Maximum Spread**” (as

specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Index or hedging the certificates with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means each the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Execution Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion during the Execution Valuation Period, equal to the fair value level of the Index, by reference to the unwinding of the hedging position. The minimum Execution Level will be the lowest level of the Index during the Execution Valuation Period;

“**Execution Valuation Period**” means (i) the day on which the Re-Financing Event, Stop Loss Event or Knock Out Event occurs, as the case may be, or (ii) the Trading Day following the events specified in (i) above;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the Reference Price at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Funding Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate plus Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant

Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Current Financing Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Current Participation Factor**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interim Settlement Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, upon the occurrence of an Interim Settlement Event, an amount equal to:

Security Value - Issue Price rounded down to the next full unit of the Settlement Currency

The Interim Settlement Amount shall be rounded down to the nearest integral multiple of the Interim Settlement Factor;

“**Interim Settlement Event**” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if at the Valuation Time on any Trading Day, and other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, the Security Value is greater than or equal to the Interim Settlement Level, and a Re-Financing Event shall be deemed to have occurred;

“**Interim Settlement Factor**” means the factor specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any variation by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion;

“**Interim Settlement Level**” means the Issue Price rounded down to the next full unit of the Settlement Currency minus the Interim Settlement Factor, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Price**” means the amount as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Knock Out Event” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if at any time on any Trading Day from (and including) the Launch Date, and other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, the Security Value is less than or equal to the Knock Out Level, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“Knock Out Level” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Lower Leverage Limit” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Notional Dividend Amount” means if “Notional Dividend Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions in respect of the Shares which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional Dividend Period net of applicable

withholding taxes at a rate adjusted by application of any relevant double tax treaty without regard to any tax credits;

“**Notional Dividend Period**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each period from (but excluding) the Launch Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, the Issuer Call Date, the Valuation Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date and thereafter from (but excluding) the Reset Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, the Issuer Call Date, the Valuation Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“**Prevailing Rate**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the rate as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the level of the Index at any time on any Trading Day as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Re-Financing Event**” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if on any Trading Day at the Valuation Time, other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, (a) the Current Leverage Factor is less than or equal to the Lower Leverage Limit or (b) the Current Leverage Factor is greater than or equal to the Upper Leverage Limit or (c) an Interim Settlement Event has occurred or (d) a Stop Loss Event has occurred, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“**Re-Financing Reference Price**” means the Reference Price at the Valuation Time on the day on which a Re-Financing Event has, or is deemed to have, occurred;

“Related Exchange” means the options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the 15th day of each calendar month, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Securities” means each Series of the Rolling Mini Long Certificates relating to the Index specified in the applicable Final Terms and each certificate a “Security”. References to the terms “Securities” and “Security” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Security Value” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the intrinsic value of a Security as determined by the Calculation Agent as follows:

- (a) with regard to the Interim Settlement Event: $(\text{Reference Price at the Valuation Time} - \text{Current Financing Level}) \times \text{Current Participation Factor}$;
- (b) for the calculation of the Current Participation Factor: $(\text{Execution Level} - \text{Current Financing Level}) \times \text{Current Participation Factor}$;

- (c) with regard to the Knock-Out-Event: $(\text{Reference Price} - \text{Current Financing Level}) \times \text{Current Participation Factor}$.

For the avoidance of any doubt, the Current Financing Level in the formula in (b) above shall be the Current Financing Level immediately before the occurrence of the Re-Financing Event;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the level of the Index (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) is at any time on any Trading Day, from (and including) the Launch Date, and other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, less than or equal to the Stop Loss Level. If no such level is available the level will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion. Upon the occurrence of such event, a Re-Financing Event shall be deemed to have occurred;

“**Stop Loss Level**” means an amount calculated on each Trading Day in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency, rounded up to the nearest whole number), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion on the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, equal to the Execution Level;

“**Stop Loss Premium Rate**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Target Leverage Factor**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount equal to the Reference Price at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Upper Leverage Limit**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) has occurred on that day in which case, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event)); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “Global Security”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other

document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “Holder” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in

force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Knock Out Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, the Issuer shall determine the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price and shall notionally re-invest the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price in the Index on the basis of a Re-Financing Event having occurred contemporaneously therewith.
- (c) Issuer Call. The Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of a Knock Out Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Interim Settlement Event. Following the occurrence of an Interim Settlement Event, the Calculation Agent shall determine and pay the Interim Settlement Amount to the account of the relevant Holder via the Clearing Agent on the Settlement Date and adjust the Security Value on the basis of a Re-Financing Event having occurred contemporaneously therewith. Any amounts not paid via the Clearing Agent shall be retained by the Issuer for payment to the relevant Holder against evidence satisfactory to the Issuer of the Holder’s entitlement to such amount.
- (e) Knock Out Event. Following the occurrence of a Knock Out Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. A Knock Out Event will override an Issuer Call

and/or due Exercise if the Knock Out Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.

- (f) Re-Financing Event. On or promptly following a Re-Financing Event the Calculation Agent shall adjust the Current Financing Level and the Current Participation Factor as set out in Product Condition 1.
- (g) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, determination of an Interim Settlement Event or following a Knock Out Event and except in the case of an Interim Settlement Event subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) The Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) The Interim Settlement Amount, following an Interim Settlement Event; or
 - (iv) The Knock Out Cash Amount, following a Knock Out Event.
- (h) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (i) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (j) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a "Notice") to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;

- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
 - (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
 - (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.
- (k) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
 - (l) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
 - (m) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has

been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (n) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (o) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (p) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any

amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (q) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise), (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index, if in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a

limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below.
- (i) If the Index is: (A) not calculated and announced by the Index sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
- (ii) If: (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, Issuer Call Date, or the occurrence of a Re-Financing Event or occurrence of the Knock Out Event as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, Issuer Call Date, or the occurrence of a Re-Financing Event or occurrence of the Knock Out Event the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor, fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price, the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price, or the Termination Reference Price, the Reference Price or the Knock Out Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or during the Execution Valuation Period as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall

deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account. (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the shares comprising the Index (the “**Shares**”) of: (aa) Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Launch Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Knock Out Event as the case may be; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.
- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer

(in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO ROLLING MINI SHORT CERTIFICATES ON AN INDEX

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses, provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate if an Exchange Rate is specified and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearing system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount

(which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formulae:

(i) promptly following a Re-Financing Event:

$[1 + (1 / \text{Target Leverage Factor})] \times \text{Re-Financing Reference Price}$; and otherwise

(ii) (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus

(b) Funding Cost; minus

(c) Notional Dividend Amount, if specified to be “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, otherwise Notional Dividend Amount shall be disregarded in the calculation of Current Financing Level.

The Funding Cost will be added to the Current Financing Level prior to the opening of trading on the Exchange on each Trading Day.

On the Launch Date the Current Financing Level shall be the Initial Current Financing Level.

“**Current Leverage Factor**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of any Trading Day, a number determined by the Calculation Agent at the Valuation Time in accordance with the following formula:

$\text{Reference Price at the Valuation Time} / (\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Reference Price at the Valuation Time})$

On the Launch Date the Current Leverage Factor shall be the Target Leverage Factor;

“**Current Participation Factor**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in relation to a Re-Financing Event and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, a number calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$\text{Target Leverage Factor} \times \text{Security Value} / \text{Re-Financing Reference Price}$

For the avoidance of any doubt, where the Current Participation Factor is being adjusted following an Interim Settlement Event, the Security Value in the above mentioned formula shall be the Security Value following the deduction of the Interim Settlement Amount.

On the Launch Date the Current Participation Factor shall be the Initial Current Participation Factor;

“**Current Spread**” means a per annum percentage rate as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Calculation Agent may adjust the Current Spread on each Reset Date, but in any event, the Current Spread will not exceed the “**Maximum Spread**” (as

specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Index or hedging the certificates with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means each the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Execution Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion during the Execution Valuation Period, equal to the fair value level of the Index, by reference to the unwinding of the hedging position. The maximum Execution Level will be the highest level of the Index during the Execution Valuation Period;

“**Execution Valuation Period**” means (i) the day on which the Re-Financing Event, Stop Loss Event or Knock Out Event occurs, as the case may be, or (ii) the Trading Day following the events specified in (i) above;

“Exercise” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“Exercise Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the Reference Price at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Final Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“Financing Level Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Funding Cost” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Prevailing Rate minus Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Index” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant

Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Current Financing Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Current Participation Factor**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interim Settlement Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, upon the occurrence of an Interim Settlement Event, an amount equal to:

Security Value - Issue Price rounded down to the next full unit of the Settlement Currency

The Interim Settlement Amount shall be rounded down to the nearest integral multiple of the Interim Settlement Factor;

“**Interim Settlement Event**” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if at the Valuation Time on any Trading Day, and other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, the Security Value is greater than or equal to the Interim Settlement Level, and a Re-Financing Event shall be deemed to have occurred;

“**Interim Settlement Factor**” means the factor specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any variation by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion;

“**Interim Settlement Level**” means the Issue Price rounded down to the next full unit of the Settlement Currency plus the Interim Settlement Factor, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Price**” means the amount as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call Date**” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day

unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Issuer Call Notice Period**” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Knock Out Event**” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if at any time on any Trading Day from (and including) the Launch Date, and other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, the Security Value is less than or equal to the Knock Out Level, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“**Knock Out Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Launch Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Lower Leverage Limit**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Notional Dividend Amount**” means if “Notional Dividend Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) as determined by the Calculation Agent, equal to the cash dividends and/or other cash distributions declared in respect of the Shares which have an ex-dividend date occurring during the Notional Dividend Period without regard to any withholding tax or other deductions multiplied by the prevailing percentage payable under market standard stock borrow agreements, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“Notional Dividend Period” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each period from (but excluding) the Launch Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, the Issuer Call Date, the Valuation Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date and thereafter from (but excluding) the Reset Date to (and including) the earlier of the next following Reset Date, the Issuer Call Date, the Valuation Date or the Stop Loss Termination Date;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Prevailing Rate” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the rate as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, for deposits in the Financing Level Currency in the inter-bank market with a maturity of either three months, one month or overnight, as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion or such other maturity as selected by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Holders in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the level of the Index at any time on any Trading Day as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Re-Financing Event” occurs, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, if on any Trading Day at the Valuation Time, other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, (a) the Current Leverage Factor is less than or equal to the Lower Leverage Limit or (b) the Current Leverage Factor is greater than or equal to the Upper Leverage Limit or (c) an Interim Settlement Event has occurred or (d) a Stop Loss Event has occurred, all as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Re-Financing Reference Price” means the Reference Price at the Valuation Time on the day on which a Re-Financing Event has, or is deemed to have, occurred;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the

Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Related Exchange**” means the options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reset Date**” means, unless other specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the 15th day of each calendar month, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the Rolling Mini Short Certificates relating to the Index specified in the applicable Final Terms and each certificate a “Security”. References to the terms “Securities” and “Security” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Security Value**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the intrinsic value of a Security as determined by the Calculation Agent as follows:

- (a) with regard to the Interim Settlement Event: $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Reference Price at the Valuation Time}) \times \text{Current Participation Factor}$;
- (b) for the calculation of the Current Participation Factor: $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Execution Level}) \times \text{Current Participation Factor}$;
- (c) with regard to the Knock-Out-Event: $(\text{Current Financing Level} - \text{Reference Price}) \times \text{Current Participation Factor}$.

For the avoidance of any doubt, the Current Financing Level in the formula in (b) above shall be the Current Financing Level immediately before the occurrence of the Re-Financing Event;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms:

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, the level of the Index (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) is at any time on any Trading Day, from (and including) the Launch Date, and other than at a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, greater than or equal to the Stop Loss Level. If no such level is available the level will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion. Upon the occurrence of such event, a Re-Financing Event shall be deemed to have occurred;

“**Stop Loss Level**” means an amount calculated on each Trading Day in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency, rounded down to the nearest whole number), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion on the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, equal to the Execution Level;

“**Stop Loss Premium Rate**” means the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Target Leverage Factor**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Termination Reference Price” means an amount equal to the Reference Price at the Valuation Time on the Issuer Call Date;

“Trading Day” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“Upper Leverage Limit” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Valuation Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“Valuation Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “Global Security”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the

Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “Holder” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) **Exercise.** Provided no Knock Out Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) **Stop Loss Event.** Following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, the Issuer shall determine the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price and shall notionally re-invest the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price in the Index on the basis of a Re-Financing Event having occurred contemporaneously therewith.
- (c) **Issuer Call.** The Issuer may terminate, subject to a valid Exercise or the occurrence of a Knock Out Event, the Securities, in whole but not in part on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) **Interim Settlement Event.** Following the occurrence of an Interim Settlement Event, the Calculation Agent shall determine and pay the Interim Settlement Amount to the account of the relevant Holder via the Clearing Agent on the Settlement Date and adjust the Security Value on the basis of a Re-Financing Event having occurred contemporaneously therewith. Any amounts not paid via the Clearing Agent shall be retained by the Issuer for payment to the relevant Holder against evidence satisfactory to the Issuer of the Holder's entitlement to such amount.
- (e) **Knock Out Event.** Following the occurrence of a Knock Out Event, the Securities will terminate automatically and the Issuer will give notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. A Knock Out Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Knock Out Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.

- (f) Re-Financing Event. On or promptly following a Re-Financing Event the Calculation Agent shall adjust the Current Financing Level and the Current Participation Factor as set out in Product Condition 1.
- (g) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call, determination of an Interim Settlement Event or following a Knock Out Event and except in the case of an Interim Settlement Event subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
- i) The Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - ii) The Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - iii) The Interim Settlement Amount, following an Interim Settlement Event; or
 - iv) The Knock Out Cash Amount, following a Knock Out Event.
- (h) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (i) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (j) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a "Notice") to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.
- A Notice shall:
- i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
 - ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
 - iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
 - iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;

v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (k) Verification. In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (l) Settlement. The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (m) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent

immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (n) Delivery of a Notice. Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (o) Exercise and Settlement Risk. Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (p) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of the such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing

Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (q) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means: (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on an Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise), (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index, if in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below.
- (i) If the Index is: (A) not calculated and announced by the Index sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
- (ii) If: (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, Issuer Call Date, or the occurrence of a Re-Financing Event or occurrence of the Knock Out Event as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, Issuer Call Date, or the occurrence of a Re-Financing Event or occurrence of the Knock Out Event the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor, fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price, the Stop Loss Termination Reference Price, or the Termination Reference Price, the Reference Price or the Knock Out Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or during the Execution Valuation Period as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account. (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the shares comprising the Index (the “**Shares**”) of: (aa) Shares; or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Launch Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or the Knock Out Event as the case may be; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.
- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that

such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX FUTURE MINI LONG CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

(a) Upon Exercise:

(Final Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or

(b) Upon an Issuer Call:

(Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or

(c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Stop Loss Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; plus
- (b) Handling Cost; minus
- (c) if such determination is to be made on a Rollover Date, the corresponding Rollover Spread.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Reference Asset or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall (subject to any rounding)

not be less than the “**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all

or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Entitlement**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Exercise**” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“**Exercise Date**” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Trading Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“**Exercise Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other

taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the closing Reference Asset Price on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market making spreads, on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Handling Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined on a daily basis by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Reference Asset” means the Reference Asset as of the Launch Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours on the Rollover Date, effect substitution to (i) the next serially contract month in the cycle or (ii) the most liquid contract month in the cycle (the **“Substitute Asset”**) selected by the Issuer. Thereafter the Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“Reference Asset Price” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable

contract factor (the value of 1.0 future's point) specified on the applicable Bloomberg page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day or, if a Rollover Date occurs in such month, the Reset Date will be the Business Day following such Rollover Date, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Rollover Date” means the date or period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Rollover Spread” means the fair value spread calculated as the price determined by the Issuer for liquidating its related hedging arrangements for the Reference Asset minus the price determined by the Issuer for establishing its related hedging arrangements for the Substitute Asset during the substitution

of the Reference Asset for the Substitute Asset by reference to liquidity in the Reference Asset and the Substitute Asset. The Rollover Spread may be a negative number;

“**Securities**” means the index future mini long certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the bid low Reference Asset Price (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) at any time on any Trading Day, from (and including) the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, is less than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; plus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Reference Asset as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be equal to at least the lowest level of the Reference Asset Price during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period**” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day or, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at or around the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Price on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market making spreads, on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to the regular weekday closing time;

“**Trading Hours**” means as regards each Exchange its regular scheduled opening hours on the Rollover Date;

“**Trigger Event**” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer

between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (h) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances

be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) **Price Source Disruption.** The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event; or
- (b) **Trading Suspension.** The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) **Disappearance of Price.** The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or

- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Reference Asset Price; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Launch Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the Reference Asset Price on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date and/or the Issuer Call Date and/or any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX FUTURE MINI SHORT CERTIFICATES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the applicable Final Terms (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s) each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “Swiss Agent”), each acting through its specified office and together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Calculation Period**” means the number of calendar days from (but excluding) a Reset Date to (and including) the next following Reset Date;

“**Cash Amount**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

(a) Upon Exercise:

(Current Financing Level – Final Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Exercise Cash Amount**”); or

(b) Upon an Issuer Call:

(Current Financing Level – Termination Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Issuer Call Cash Amount**”); or

(c) Following a Stop Loss Event:

(Current Financing Level – Stop Loss Termination Reference Price) x Entitlement, less Expenses (the “**Stop Loss Cash Amount**”),

provided that the Cash Amount shall not be less than zero. The Cash Amount shall be converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms, and rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Current Financing Level**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent, on each day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Financing Level Currency, in accordance with the following formula:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; minus
- (b) Handling Cost; minus
- (c) if such determination is to be made on a Rollover Date, the corresponding Rollover Spread.

The Current Financing Level on the Launch Date is the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Spread**” means the rate (expressed as a per annum percentage rate) as determined by the Calculation Agent having regard to the Financing Level Currency, prevailing market conditions and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant. The Current Spread may be reset on a Reset Date, subject to the “**Maximum Spread**” (as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) per annum (save that if, in the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent, at any time the market rate for borrowing the Reference Asset or hedging the Securities with futures materially exceeds such market rate as of the Launch Date, the Current Spread and/or Maximum Spread may be increased to reflect this change). The Current Spread on the Launch Date is the spread specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Current Stop Loss Premium**” means an amount in the Financing Level Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Reset Date, in its sole and absolute discretion, and subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, having regard to the current market conditions (including, without limitation, market volatility). The Current Stop Loss Premium shall (subject to any rounding)

not be less than the “**Minimum Premium**” nor greater than the “**Maximum Premium**” (both as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms) of the Current Financing Level, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. The percentage used for calculating the Current Stop Loss Premium (the “**Current Stop Loss Premium Rate**”) on the Launch Date is the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all

or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

(vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

(viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

(ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or

(x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Entitlement” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Rate” means, if the Financing Level Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Financing Level Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exercise” means (i) a Holder’s right to exercise the Securities, in accordance with Product Condition 3 or (ii) the automatic exercise of the Securities following the Final Valuation Date;

“Exercise Date” means, subject to a Stop Loss Event, the third Trading Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date, as provided in Product Condition 3;

“Exercise Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other

taxes or duties, arising in connection with (a) the exercise of such Security and/or (b) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the closing Reference Asset Price on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market-making spreads, on the Valuation Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing Reference Asset Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Final Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

“**Financing Level Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Handling Cost**” means, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount, as determined on a daily basis by the Calculation Agent, equal to:

- (a) Current Spread; multiplied by
- (b) the Current Financing Level on the previous Reset Date; multiplied by
- (c) the number of calendar days elapsed in the Calculation Period (including the current day) divided by 360;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means the day specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, and if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Termination Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Launch Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is the euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Reference Asset” means the Reference Asset as of the Launch Date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and thereafter the Issuer shall, during Trading Hours on the Rollover Date, effect substitution to (i) the next serially contract month in the cycle or (ii) the most liquid contract month in the cycle (the **“Substitute Asset”**) selected by the Issuer. Thereafter the Substitute Asset shall for all purposes be the Reference Asset;

“Reference Asset Price” means the current price of the Reference Asset. For the avoidance of any doubt, this shall not be the futures contract value but the futures contract value divided by the applicable

contract factor (the value of 1.0 future's point) specified on the applicable Bloomberg page referred to in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and if no such page reference exists, such other page reference as the Calculation Agent determines;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Reference Asset are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Reset Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Launch Date and thereafter (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the Reset Date will be the next following Business Day or, if a Rollover Date occurs in such month the Business Day, the Reset Date will be following such Rollover Date, or (b) each Business Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“Rollover Date” means the date or period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Rollover Spread” means the fair value spread calculated as the price determined by the Issuer for liquidating its related hedging arrangements for the Reference Asset minus the price determined by the Issuer for establishing its related hedging arrangements for the Substitute Asset during the substitution

of the Reference Asset for the Substitute Asset by reference to liquidity in the Reference Asset and the Substitute Asset. The Rollover Spread may be a negative number;

“**Securities**” means the index future mini short certificates specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such certificate a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Securities Exchange;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Stop Loss Event**” occurs if, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the high ask Reference Asset Price (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) at any time on any Trading Day, from (and including) the Launch Date, and other than at the Stop Loss Reset Time or a time at which there is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event, is greater than or equal to the Stop Loss Price. If no such price is available the price will be determined by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion;

“**Stop Loss Price**” means an amount calculated on each Stop Loss Reset Date at the Stop Loss Reset Time (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency), subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, as:

- (a) the Current Financing Level on the current Stop Loss Reset Date; minus
- (b) the Current Stop Loss Premium on the current Stop Loss Reset Date.

The Stop Loss Price shall be rounded up in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date shall be the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Stop Loss Reset Date**” means (a) the day of each calendar month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, provided that if such day is not a Business Day and a Securities Trading Day, the Stop Loss Reset Date will be the next following Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day or (b) each Business Day which is also a Securities Trading Day, at the determination of the Calculation Agent;

“**Stop Loss Reset Time**” means the regular weekday opening time of the Securities Exchange;

“**Stop Loss Termination Date**” means the first Trading Day on which the Stop Loss Event occurs;

“**Stop Loss Termination Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion to be the fair value price for the Reference Asset as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to unwinding of the hedging position on a reasonable efforts basis. The Stop Loss Termination Reference Price will be at most the highest level of the Reference Asset Price during the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period;

“**Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period**” means the Stop Loss Termination Date and the following Trading Day or, if in the sole and absolute discretion of the Calculation Agent the Stop Loss Event occurs at the Valuation Time on the Stop Loss Termination Date, the two Trading Days immediately following the Stop Loss Termination Date, in either case excluding for this purpose any day on which a Market Disruption Event occurs;

“**Termination Reference Price**” means an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Financing Level Currency) equal to the Reference Asset Price on the Exchange at the Valuation Time, adjusted for any reasonable market-making spreads, on the Issuer Call Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Trading Hours**” means as regards each Exchange its regular scheduled opening hours on the Rollover Date;

“**Trigger Event**” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Reference Asset Price on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form specified in Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with the Clearing Agent and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular unit quantity of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the unit quantity of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such unit quantity of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and / or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will

pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Exercise. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, and notwithstanding notice of an Issuer Call, the Securities are exercisable (i) on any Exercise Date by delivery of a Notice prior to the Exercise Time on an Exercise Date or (ii) automatically following the Final Valuation Date.
- (b) Stop Loss Event. Following a Stop Loss Event, the Securities will terminate automatically. A Stop Loss Event will override an Issuer Call and/or due Exercise if the Stop Loss Event occurs prior to or on an Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date as the case may be.
- (c) Issuer Call. Provided no Stop Loss Event has occurred, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4, and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (d) Cash Settlement. Each Security upon due Exercise, termination pursuant to an Issuer Call or following a Stop Loss Event and subject to the delivery by the Holder of a duly completed Notice and to certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, entitles its Holder to receive, from the Issuer on the Settlement Date either:
 - (i) the Exercise Cash Amount, following a valid Exercise; or
 - (ii) the Issuer Call Cash Amount, following a valid Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) the Stop Loss Cash Amount, following a Stop Loss Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any Cash Amount.
- (g) Notice. All payments shall be subject to the delivery of a duly completed notice (a “**Notice**”) to a Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The form of the Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

A Notice shall:

- (i) specify the number of Securities to which it relates;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities to which it relates;
- (iii) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities;
- (iv) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Amount (if any) for such Securities;
- (v) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**U.S. person**” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
- (vi) authorise the production of such Notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

- (h) **Verification.** In respect of each Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) **Settlement.** The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid the Cash Amount (if any) for each Security with respect to which a Notice has been delivered to the account specified in the relevant Notice for value on the Settlement Date.
- (j) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether a Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or which is not copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions, shall be void.

If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent.

Any Security with respect to which a Notice has not been duly completed and delivered in the manner set out above by the time specified in this Product Condition 3 shall become void.

The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the relevant Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) **Delivery of a Notice.** Delivery of a Notice by or on behalf of a Holder shall be irrevocable with respect to the Securities specified and no Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by a Clearing Agent as provided above. After the delivery of a Notice, the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.
- (l) **Exercise and Settlement Risk.** Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such

laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (n) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) **Price Source Disruption.** The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the Reference Asset Price (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange on the Valuation Date, the Issuer Call Date or on any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event; or
- (b) **Trading Suspension.** The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (c) **Disappearance of Price.** The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or

- (d) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of, calculating the Reference Asset Price; or
- (e) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Launch Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Reference Asset Price; or
- (f) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Reference Asset is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Reference Asset has been impaired due to a lack of, or a material reduction in, trading in the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or
- (g) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of, an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Reference Asset (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Launch Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the Reference Asset Price on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date and/or the Issuer Call Date and/or on any other relevant date following the occurrence of a Stop Loss Event, from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
- (h) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Reference Asset with respect to it or any contract with respect to it on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (j) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

FORM OF FINAL TERMS

Dated []



The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.

(incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam)

[N[NUMBER] [UNDERLYING] [TYPE OF PRODUCT] [CERTIFICATES]

[INDICATIVE] ISSUE PRICE: [][]

[SECURITIES WITH ROLLOVER FEATURE ADMITTED TO TRADING ON SCOACH SWITZERLAND LTD. AND LISTED ON SIX SWISS EXCHANGE LTD. ONLY: THESE SECURITIES PROVIDE FOR A DYNAMIC STRUCTURE WITH REGARD TO AN ADJUSTMENT OF THE UNDERLYING] [SPECIFY OTHER]

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES, AND MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM, OR IN A TRANSACTION NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE U.S. STATE SECURITIES LAWS. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES DO NOT CONSTITUTE UNITS OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SWISS FEDERAL ACT ON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES ("CISA") AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF, OR SUPERVISION BY THE SWISS FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY ("FINMA"). HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES ARE EXPOSED TO THE CREDIT RISK OF THE ISSUER.

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[SERIES]	[ISIN]	[ISSUE PRICE (INDICATIVE)]
[[Number] [Commodity] Mini Long Certificates]	[]	[]
[[Number] [Commodity] Mini Short Certificates]	[]	[]
[[Number] [Currency] Mini Long Certificates]	[]	[]
[[Number] [Currency] Mini Short Certificates]	[]	[]
[[Number] [Single Stock] Mini Long Certificates]	[]	[]
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[[Number] [Index Future] Mini Short Certificates]	[]	[]

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FINAL TERMS

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the General Conditions and the Product Conditions applicable to each Series of Securities described herein (the “relevant Product Conditions”) as set forth in the Base Prospectus relating to Minis dated [●] 2010 (the “Base Prospectus”) as supplemented from time to time which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC) (the “Prospectus Directive”). This document constitutes the Final Terms of each Series of the Securities described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and must be read in conjunction with the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. Full information on the Issuer and each Series of the Securities described herein is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. The Base Prospectus as so supplemented is available for viewing at the office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom and copies may be obtained from the Issuer at that address.

These Final Terms must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the relevant Product Conditions contained in the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. These Final Terms, the relevant Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of each Series of the Securities described herein and will be attached to the Global Certificate representing each such Series of the Securities. In the event of any inconsistency between these Final Terms and the General Conditions or the relevant Product Conditions, these Final Terms will govern.

In respect of Securities to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Programme, together with any Final Terms, will constitute the listing prospectus pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

The Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets has provided the [names of competent authorities of host Member States] with a certificate of approval attesting that the Base Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.

So far as the Issuer is aware, no person (other than the Issuer in its separate capacities as Issuer and Calculation Agent, see “Risk Factors – Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the Underlying” and “Risk Factors – Actions taken by the Issuer may affect the value of the Securities” in the Base Prospectus) involved in the issue of the Mini Certificates has an interest material to the offer. [NB: Amend as appropriate if there are interests]

Issuer: The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. acting through [its principal office at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands][its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA][other]

Clearing Agents: [Clearstream Banking AG]
[Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (Euroclear Netherlands)]
[Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as operator of the Euroclear system]
[Clearstream Banking, société anonyme]
[SIS SIX Ltd] [Other]

Pricing Date(s): []

Subscription Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Launch Date: []

“As, If and When” issued Trading: []

Issue Date: []

Listing: [] [the Securities will be listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. and admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd.]

Listing Date: []

Admission to trading: [Application has been made for the Securities to be admitted to trading on [] with effect from [].]
[No application for admission to trading has been made.] [Application has been made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Securities to be listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. and admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd., provided that no assurance can be given that the Securities will be admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. or listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. on the Issue Date or any specific date thereafter.] [Securities listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. may be suspended from trading in accordance with Article 57 of the SIX Listing Rules or be de-listed from SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. during the lifetime of the Securities.]

Announcements to Holders: Delivered to Clearing Agents

Principal Agent: [The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA]

Agent(s): [Citibank International Plc, Netherlands Branch, Global Transaction Services, Hoge Mosten 2, 4822 NH Breda, The Netherlands] [ABN AMRO Bank N.V. MF 2020 Kemelstede 2, P.O. Box 3200, 4800 DE Breda, The Netherlands]

Calculation Agent: [The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom]

Indication of yield: [Not Applicable]

Sales Restriction The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("**Securities Act**") and the

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Form of the Securities:

[Global Security]
[Dematerialised form]
[Global Security transformed into Intermediated Securities] *(Only applicable to Securities where the Clearing Agent is SIX SIS Ltd)*
Dematerialised Securities transformed into Intermediated Securities] *(Only applicable to Securities where the Clearing Agent is SIX SIS Ltd)*

[Securities admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. only:]

[Delete the following sections if Securities will not be admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.]

First Trading Day:

[] [Anticipated to be the Issue Date]

Last Trading Day:

[] [trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. until official close of trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. on that day]

Minimum Trading Size:

[]

Payment Date:

[Issue Date]

Type of quoting (in case of interest component)

[flat/dirty trading or clean trading] [Not applicable]

Minimum Exercise

[]

Governing Law

The Securities are subject to English law

Jurisdiction

The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or in connection with the Securities

Swiss Agent

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland, phone +41 44 285 58 58, fax +41 44 285 56 16

Recognised Representative for the purposes of Article 43 Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd:

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland, phone +41 44 285 58 58, fax +41 44 285 56 16

Paying Agent

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. acting through its principal office at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Announcements to Holders / Publications

Any notices or publications to be made to Holders

will be made through the online information system of SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd., by publishing on SIX Swiss Exchange's website http://www.six-exchange-regulation.com/publications/communiqués/official_notices_en.html.

Issue Size of Series or Number of Securities	[] [not applicable]
Interest Ex-Date (in case of interest component)	[] [not applicable]
Type of quoting (in case of interest component)	[flat/dirty trading or clean trading][not applicable]

COMMODITY TURBO CERTIFICATES

Series:	<i>[Commodity] Mini [Long][Short] Certificates Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Cash Amount:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Commodity:	[] [Reuters page: [XAU=] ¹ [XPT=] ² [XAG=] ³ [XPD=] ⁴]
Current Financing Level on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Spread on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Stop Loss Premium Rate on the Launch Date:	[]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Time:	[10.00am Central European Time]
Final Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Final Valuation Date	<i>[specify date]</i> [not applicable]
Financing Level Currency:	[]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[first Business Day following the three month period from and including the Launch Date]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[one month]
Maximum Premium:	[]
Maximum Spread:	[]
Minimum Premium:	[]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

¹ if gold

² if platinum

³ if silver

⁴ if palladium

Reset Date:	[15th day] [<i>specify other</i>]
Securities Exchange:	[Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext] [<i>specify other</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[Up to the fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date, the last day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Event:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date:	[]
Stop Loss Reset Date:	[15th] day
Stop Loss Price Rounding:	[upwards] ⁵ [downwards] ⁶ to the next whole unit of the Financing Level Currency
Stop Loss Termination Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Trigger Event:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one calendar year after the [Issue][Launch] [Date][The Final Valuation Date]
Valuation Time:	[The time of the London [morning] ⁷ [daily] ⁸ fixing price for the Commodity]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.] <i>(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)</i>

⁵ if long certificate

⁶ if short certificate

⁷ if gold or platinum

⁸ if silver

ISIN: []
Common Code: []
Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained: []

Series: *[Commodity] Mini [Long][Short] Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

CURRENCY TURBO CERTIFICATES

Series: *[Currency] Mini [Long] [Short]
Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Business Day: [As specified in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Cash Amount: [As specified in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Underlying FX Rate: [] (Bloomberg Page: [])

Current Financing Level on the Launch Date: []

Current Spread on the Launch Date: []

Current Stop Loss Premium Rate on the Launch Date: []

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: []

Exercise Time: [5.00pm Central European Time]

Final Reference Price: [As specified in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Final Valuation Date [Specify Date][not applicable]

Financing Level Currency: []

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [first Business Day following the three month period from and including the Issue Date]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [one month]

Maximum Premium: []

Maximum Spread: []

Minimum Premium: []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Relevant Number of Days: For the purposes of:
Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Reset Date: [15th day] *[specify other]*

Securities Exchange: [Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext] *[specify other]*

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date:	[Up to the fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date, the last day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Stop Loss Event:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Stop Loss Event Reuters Page:	[FX=][other]
Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date:	[]
Stop Loss Price Rounding:	[upwards] ⁹ [downwards] ¹⁰ to the next three decimal places (or, where the Financing Level Currency is JPY, one decimal place) of the Financing Level Currency
Stop Loss Reset Date:	[15th] day
Stop Loss Termination Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Termination Reference Price:	[]
Trigger Event:	[]
Underlying Currency:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one calendar year after the [Issue][Launch] [Date] [The Final Valuation Date]
Valuation Time:	[to be specified]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.] <i>(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)</i>
ISIN:	[]
Common Code:	[]

⁹ if long certificate
¹⁰ if short certificate

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: [Currency] Mini [Long][Short] Certificates Series []
[repeat as above for each new Series]

SINGLE STOCK TURBO CERTIFICATES

Series:	<i>[Single Stock] Mini [Long][Short] Certificates Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Cash Amount:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Share:	[] (ISIN: [])
Share Company:	[]
Current Financing Level on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Spread on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Stop Loss Premium Rate on the Launch Date:	[]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Time:	[5.00pm Central European Time]
Final Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Final Valuation Date	[Specify Date][not applicable]
Financing Level Currency:	[]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[the first Business Day following the Launch Date]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[one day]
Maximum Premium:	[]
Maximum Spread:	[]
Minimum Premium:	[]
Notional Dividend Amount:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Notional Dividend Period:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Reset Date:	[15th day] <i>[specify other]</i>

Securities Exchange:	[Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext] [specify other]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[Up to the [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date, the last day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Stop Loss Event:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date:	[]
Stop Loss Price Rounding:	[upwards] ¹¹ [downwards] ¹² to the next [0.1] unit of the Financing Level Currency
Stop Loss Reset Date:	[15th] day
Stop Loss Termination Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Trigger Event:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one calendar year after the [Issue][Launch] [Date] [The Final Valuation Date]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.] <i>(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)</i>
ISIN:	[]
Common Code:	[]
Other Securities Code:	[] [Symbol:]

¹¹ if long certificate

¹² if short certificate

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: *[Single Stock] Mini [Long][Short] Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX TURBO CERTIFICATES

Series:	<i>[Index] Mini [Long][Short] Certificates Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Cash Amount:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Index:	[] (Bloomberg Page: [])
Current Financing Level on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Spread on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Stop Loss Premium Rate on the Launch Date:	[]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[]
Exercise Time:	[10.00am Central European Time]
Final Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Final Valuation Date	[Specify Date][not applicable]
Financing Level Currency:	[]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[the first Business Day following the Launch Date]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[one month] [one day]
Maximum Premium:	[]
Maximum Spread:	[]
Minimum Premium:	[]
Notional Dividend Amount:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Notional Dividend Period:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Reset Date:	[15th day] <i>[specify other]</i>
Securities Exchange:	[Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext] <i>[specify other]</i>
Settlement Currency:	[]

Settlement Date:	[Up to the fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date, the last day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Stop Loss Event:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date:	[]
Stop Loss Price Rounding:	[upwards] ¹³ [downwards] ¹⁴ to the nearest whole [10 Index Points] ¹⁵ [1 Index Point] ¹⁶ where Index Point means the standard market quotation basis of the Index Sponsor with respect to the Index
Stop Loss Reset Date:	[15th] day
Stop Loss Termination Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Trigger Event:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one calendar year after the Issue][Launch] [Date] [The Final Valuation Date]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]
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¹³ if long certificate

¹⁴ if short certificate

¹⁵ if DAX® Index

¹⁶ If AEX-index®

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Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series: *[Index] Mini [Long][Short] Certificates Series []*
[repeat as above for each new Series]

GOVERNMENT BOND TURBO CERTIFICATES

Series:	[Government Bond] Mini [Long] [Short] Certificates Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Cash Amount:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Reference Asset	[] (ISIN: [])
	Screen page: [Reuters]
Current Financing Level on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Spread on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Stop Loss Premium Rate on the Launch Date:	[]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Time:	[5.00pm Central European Time]
Final Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Final Valuation Date	[Specify Date][not applicable]
Financing Level Currency:	[]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[First Business Day following the three month period from and including the Launch Date]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	one month
Maximum Premium:	[]
Maximum Spread:	[]
Minimum Premium:	[]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Reset Date:	[15th day] [specify other]

Rollover Date: [3][5] Business Days prior to the first date upon which notice to deliver the Reference Asset may be given in accordance with the rules of the relevant Exchange

Securities Exchange: [Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext] [specify other]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Up to the fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date, the last day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Stop Loss Event: [As specified in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date: []

Stop Loss Price Rounding: [up¹⁷] [down]¹⁸ to the next [one decimal place (with 0.05 being rounded [upwards]¹² [downwards]¹³) of the Financing Level Currency

Stop Loss Reset Date: [15th day]

Stop Loss Termination Reference Price: [As specified in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Trigger Event: []

Valuation Date(s): [The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one calendar year after the [Issue][Launch] [Date] [The Final Valuation Date]

¹⁷ if long certificate

¹⁸ if short certificate

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[]

Common Code:

[]

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[] [Symbol:]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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Series:

*[Government Bond] Mini [Long][Short] Certificates
Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

**COMMODITY FORWARD CONTRACTS AND COMMODITY FUTURE CONTRACTS
TURBO CERTIFICATES**

Series: *[Commodity] [Forward][Futures] Contracts Mini
[Long] [Short]Certificates Series []*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[specify]*

Business Day: [As specified in Product Condition 1]*[specify other]*

Cash Amount: [As specified in Product Condition 1]*[specify other]*

Reference Asset: []

Screen page: [Reuters]

Current Financing Level on the Launch Date: []

Current Spread on the Launch Date: []

Current Stop Loss Premium Rate on the
Launch Date: []

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Entitlement: []

Exchange: []

Exercise Time: [10.00am Central European Time]

Final Reference Price: [As specified in Product Condition 1]*[specify other]*

Final Valuation Date [Specify Date][not applicable]

Financing Level Currency: []

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [the first Business Day following the three month
period from and including the Launch Date]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [one month]

Maximum Premium: []

Maximum Spread: []

Minimum Premium: []

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] *[specify other]*

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purposes of:
Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an
Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an
Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Reset Date: [2nd]¹⁴ [8th]¹⁵ [9th]¹⁶ [17th]¹⁷ [24th]¹⁸ day *[specify
other]*

Rollover Date: [the prompt date of the Reference Asset with an expiry month preceding the current existing Reference Asset]¹⁹
[a date, being a Trading Day, as selected by the Issuer within the last 10 Trading Days prior to the last Trading Day of the Reference Asset]¹⁵
[a date, being a Trading Day, as selected by the Issuer within the last 10 Trading Days prior to the last Trading Day of the Reference Asset with an expiry month preceding the existing Reference Asset]²⁰
[the period ending not less than 10 Trading Days prior to the first notice date of the Reference Asset]¹⁸
[the period within the last 10 Trading Days prior to first notice date of the Reference Asset]¹⁶

Securities Exchange: [Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext] [specify other]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Up to the fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date, the last day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [*specify other*]

Stop Loss Event: [As specified in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date: []

Stop Loss Price Rounding: [up to the next whole unit (with 0.5 being rounded upwards)]²¹
[to two decimal places (with 0.005 being rounded upwards)]¹⁵
[to four decimal places (with 0.00005 being rounded upwards)]²²

Stop Loss Reset Date: [2nd]¹⁴ [8th]¹⁵ [9th]¹⁶ [17th]¹⁷ [24th]¹⁸ day [*specify other*]

Stop Loss Termination Reference Price: [As specified in Product Condition 1][*specify other*]

Trigger Event: []

Valuation Date(s): [*specify other*] [The prompt date in March each year commencing 20__]¹⁹
[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one calendar year after the [Issue][Launch] [Date]]²³
[The Final Valuation Date]

Valuation Time: [The close of [the 2nd ring session]¹⁹ [trading]²³ on the Exchange]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained:

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Series:

[Commodity] [Forward][Future] Mini [Long][Short] Certificates Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

Notes:

- 14 cocoa
- 15 oil
- 16 coffee
- 17 aluminum, copper, sugar
- 18 wheat
- 19 aluminium, copper
- 20 cocoa, coffee, sugar
- 21 aluminium, copper, cocoa, oil
- 22 coffee, sugar, wheat
- 23 cocoa, coffee, sugar, wheat, oil

FUND TURBO LONG CERTIFICATES

Series:	[Fund] Mini [Long] Certificates Series []
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Fund Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Cash Amount:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Current Financing Level on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Spread on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Stop Loss Premium Rate on the Launch Date:	[]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[] [Not Applicable]
Exercise Time:	[5.00pm Central European Time]
Final Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Final Valuation Date	[The [Specify Date][not applicable]
Financing Level Currency:	[]
Fund:	[] (Bloomberg Page: [])
Fund Business Day:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[the first Business Day following the Launch Date]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[one day]
Maximum Premium:	[]
Maximum Spread:	[]
Minimum Premium:	[]
Notional Dividend Amount:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Notional Dividend Period:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Pricing Date:	[]
Reference Asset Price:	[NAV][Trading Price. Bloomberg: []]
Reference Asset:	[] (ISIN: []; Bloomberg Page: [])
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of:
	Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
	Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Reset Date:	[15th day] [<i>specify other</i>]
Securities Exchange:	[Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext] [<i>specify other</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[Up to the [fifth] Business Day following the Valuation Date, the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Event:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date:	[]
Stop Loss Price Rounding:	[upwards] ¹⁹ [downwards] ²⁰ to the next [0.1] unit of the Financing Level Currency
Stop Loss Reset Date:	[15th] day
Stop Loss Termination Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Trading Day:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Trigger Event:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one calendar year after the Launch Date] The Final Valuation Date]
Valuation Time:	[The close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Reference Asset where the Fund is an exchange traded fund][<i>specify other</i>][Not Applicable]

¹⁹ if long certificate

²⁰ if short certificate

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:

[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN:

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Common Code:

[]

Other Securities Code:

[] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction:

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("Securities Act") and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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can be obtained:

Series:

[Fund] Mini [Long] Certificates Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

ROLLING TURBO LONG INDEX CERTIFICATES

Series:	[Index] Rolling Mini Long Certificates Series []
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Cash Amount:	[(a) Upon Exercise: (Final Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Current Participation Factor (the “ Exercise Cash Amount ”); or (b) Upon an Issuer Call: (Termination Reference Price - Current Financing Level) x Current Participation Factor (the “ Issuer Call Cash Amount ”); or (c) Following a Knock Out Event: (Execution Level - Current Financing Level) x Current Participation Factor (the “ Knock Out Cash Amount ”),] [specify other]
Current Financing Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Current Leverage Factor:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Current Participation Factor:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Current Spread:	[]%
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Exercise Date:	[The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date as provided in Product Condition 3] [specify other]
Exercise Time:	[10.00am Central European Time] [specify other]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Final Valuation Date	[Specify Date][not applicable]
Financing Level Currency:	[]
Index	[][Bloomberg Code]
Initial Current Financing Level:	[]
Initial Current Participation Factor:	[]
Interim Settlement Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Interim Settlement Event:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Interim Settlement Factor:	[]
Issue Price:	[]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[The first Business Day following the [six month] period from (and including) the Launch Date] [specify other]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[Three calendar months] [One calendar year] [specify other]

Knock Out Event:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Knock Out Level:	[]
Launch Date:	[]
Lower Leverage Limit:	[]
Maximum Spread:	[]%
Notional Dividend Amount:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Notional Dividend Period:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Prevailing Rate:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Re-Financing Event:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Reset Date:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Security Value:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date, the Knock Out Event, Issuer Call Date or Interim Settlement Event, as the case may be or as soon as practicable thereafter]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Level:	[(100% - Stop Loss Premium Rate) multiplied by the Reference Price at the Valuation Time on the immediately preceding Trading Day] [<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Premium Rate	[5%][<i>specify other</i>]
Target Leverage Factor:	[]
Upper Leverage Limit:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one year after the Launch Date] [The Final Valuation Date]
Valuation Time:	[The time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:

[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

ISIN: []
Common Code: []
WKN: []
Valoren: []
Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

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Index disclaimer(s): []

Series: *[Index] Rolling Mini Long Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

ROLLING TURBO SHORT INDEX CERTIFICATES

Series:	[Index] Rolling Mini Short Certificates Series []
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Cash Amount:	<p>[(a) Upon Exercise: (Current Financing Level - Final Reference Price) x Current Participation Factor (the “Exercise Cash Amount”); or</p> <p>(b) Upon an Issuer Call: (Current Financing Level - Termination Reference Price) x Current Participation Factor (the “Issuer Call Cash Amount”); or</p> <p>(c) Following a Knock Out Event: (Current Financing Level – Execution Level) x Current Participation Factor (the “Knock Out Cash Amount”),] [specify other]</p>
Current Financing Level:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Current Leverage Factor:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Current Participation Factor:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Current Spread:	[]%
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Exercise Date:	[The third Business Day preceding the scheduled Valuation Date as provided in Product Condition 3] [specify other]
Exercise Time:	[10.00am Central European Time] [specify other]
Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Final Valuation Date	[Specify Date][not applicable]
Financing Level Currency:	[]
Index	[][Bloomberg Code]
Initial Current Financing Level:	[]
Initial Current Participation Factor:	[]
Interim Settlement Amount:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Interim Settlement Event:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other]
Interim Settlement Factor:	[]
Issue Price:	[]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[The first Business Day following the [six month] period from (and including) the Launch Date] [specify other]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[Three calendar months] [One calendar year] [specify other]

Knock Out Event:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Knock Out Level:	[]
Launch Date:	[]
Lower Leverage Limit:	[]
Maximum Spread:	[]%
Notional Dividend Amount:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Notional Dividend Period:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Prevailing Rate:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Re-Financing Event:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Reset Date:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Security Value:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date, the Knock Out Event, Issuer Call Date or Interim Settlement Event, as the case may be or as soon as practicable thereafter]
Standard Currency:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Level:	[(100% + Stop Loss Premium Rate) multiplied by the Reference Price at the Valuation Time on the immediately preceding Trading Day] [<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Premium Rate	[5%][<i>specify other</i>]
Target Leverage Factor:	[]
Upper Leverage Limit:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one year after the Launch Date] [The Final Valuation Date]
Valuation Time:	[The time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index]

Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

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ISIN: []
 Common Code: []
 WKN: []
 Valoren: []
 Other Securities Code: [][Symbol:]

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Index disclaimer(s): []

Series:

[Index] Rolling Mini Short Certificates Series []

*[repeat as above for each new
Series]*

INDEX FUTURE TURBO CERTIFICATES

Series:	<i>[Index Future] Mini [Long][Short]Certificates Series []</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Cash Amount:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Reference Asset:	[] [(Bloomberg Code: [] <INDEX>)]
Current Financing Level on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Spread on the Launch Date:	[]
Current Stop Loss Premium Rate on the Launch Date:	[]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Entitlement:	[]
Exchange:	[]
Exercise Time:	[10.00am Central European Time]
Final Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Final Valuation Date	[Specify Date][not applicable]
Financing Level Currency:	[]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[the first Business Day following the three month period from (and including) the Launch Date]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[one calendar year]
Maximum Premium:	[]
Maximum Spread:	[]
Minimum Premium:	[]
Relevant Currency:	[As specified in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i>
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purposes of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Reset Date:	[17 th] day
Rollover Date:	[a date, being a Trading Day, as selected by the Issuer at least 10 Trading Days prior to the earliest of (i) the first notice date of the Reference Asset or (ii) the last Trading Day of the Reference Asset]
Securities Exchange:	[Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext] <i>[specify]</i>

	other]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[Up to the fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date, the last day of the Stop Loss Termination Valuation Period or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be]
Standard Currency:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Event:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Stop Loss Price on the Launch Date:	[]
Stop Loss Price Rounding:	[to two decimal places (with 0.005 being rounded upwards)]
Stop Loss Reset Date:	[17 th] day
Stop Loss Termination Reference Price:	[As specified in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>]
Trigger Event:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[The last Trading Day of March in each year, commencing at least one calendar year after the [Issue][Launch] [Date] [The Final Valuation Date]
Valuation Time:	[The close of trading on the Exchange] [<i>specify other</i>]
Amendments to General Conditions and/or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]
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ISIN:	[]
Common Code:	[]

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (“**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

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Series: *[Index Future] Mini [Long] Certificates Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

Save as disclosed in the Issuer’s LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference therein, there has been no significant change in the financial position of the Issuer since 31st December 2009. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer since 31st December 2009, other than as disclosed in the Issuer's LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference therein.

RESPONSIBILITY

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in the Base Prospectus, as completed and/or amended by these Final Terms. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

[The information relating to the Underlying has been extracted from external sources. The Issuer confirms that such information has been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware, and is able to ascertain from information published by the external sources, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.]

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.
(incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam)



BASE PROSPECTUS RELATING TO

NOTES

THE ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND NV.

LAUNCHPAD PROGRAMME

DATED: 18 OCTOBER 2010

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED IN THIS BASE PROSPECTUS (THE "SECURITIES") SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEY UNDERSTAND FULLY THE NATURE OF THE SECURITIES AND THE EXTENT OF THEIR EXPOSURE TO THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SECURITIES. THE MARKET PRICE AND / OR VALUE OF THE SECURITIES MAY BE VOLATILE AND HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES MAY SUSTAIN A TOTAL LOSS IN THE VALUE OF THEIR INVESTMENT (UNLESS THE SECURITIES ARE OF A TYPE IN WHICH CAPITAL IS PROTECTED). PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS NEED TO CONSIDER THE SUITABILITY OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES IN LIGHT OF THEIR OWN FINANCIAL, FISCAL, REGULATORY AND OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES. PLEASE REFER, IN PARTICULAR, TO THE SECTIONS "RISK FACTORS" IN THIS BASE PROSPECTUS AND IN THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENT FOR A MORE COMPLETE EXPLANATION OF THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES DO NOT CONSTITUTE UNITS OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SWISS FEDERAL ACT ON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES ("CISA") AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF, OR SUPERVISION BY THE SWISS FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY ("FINMA"). HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES ARE EXPOSED TO THE CREDIT RISK OF THE ISSUER.

This Base Prospectus constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of Article 5.4 of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”).

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (the “**Issuer**”) accepts responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext for Securities to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam N.V. (“**Euronext Amsterdam**”) by NYSE Euronext up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus. In addition, Securities may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on any other stock exchange or market specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities.

This Base Prospectus will be filed with the SIS Swiss Exchange Ltd and application may be made to list the Securities under the Programme on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. In respect of Securities to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Programme, together with the Final Terms, will constitute the listing prospectus pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

References in this Programme to Securities being “**listed**” (and all related references) shall mean that such Securities will be admitted to trading and will be listed on Euronext Amsterdam or any other regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2004/39/EC (the “**Markets in Financial Instruments Directive**”).

The Issuer has not authorised the making or provision of any representation or information regarding the Issuer or any Securities. Neither the delivery of this document nor the delivery of any other documents of the LaunchPAD Programme nor any information provided in the course of a transaction in Securities shall, in any circumstances, be construed as a recommendation by the Issuer to enter into any transaction with respect to any Securities. Each prospective investor contemplating a purchase of Securities should make its own independent investigation of the risks associated with a transaction involving any Securities.

The delivery of this document does not at any time imply that there has been no change in the affairs of the Issuer since the date of this Base Prospectus. The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information.

The distribution of this document and the offering, sale and delivery of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this document comes are required by the Issuer to inform themselves about, and to observe, any such restrictions. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of this document and other offering material relating to the Securities please refer to section *Selling Restrictions* in this Base Prospectus.

In connection with the issue and the distribution of any Securities, any one manager (the “**Manager**”) appointed by the Issuer or any person acting for it may over-allot Securities or effect transactions with a

view to supporting the market price of the Securities at a higher level than that which might otherwise prevail. However, there is no assurance that the Manager (or any other person acting on behalf of the Manager) will undertake stabilisation action. Any stabilisation action may begin on or after the day on which adequate public disclosure of the final terms of the offer of the Securities is made and, if begun, may be ended at any time but it must end no later than the earlier of 30 days after the issue date of the Securities and 60 days after the date of allotment of the Securities. Any stabilisation action or over-allotment must be conducted by the Manager (or person(s) acting on behalf of the Manager) in accordance with all applicable laws and rules.

No person has been authorised to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Base Prospectus and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuer.

Where information has been sourced from a third party, the Issuer confirms that this information has been accurately reproduced and that as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

This Base Prospectus is to be read in conjunction with all documents that are deemed to be incorporated herein by reference and shall be read and construed on the basis that such documents are incorporated in and form part of the Base Prospectus.

The Issuer does not represent that this document may be lawfully distributed, or that Securities may be lawfully offered, in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any jurisdiction, or pursuant to an exemption available thereunder, or assume any responsibility for facilitating any such distribution or offering. In particular, no action has been taken by the Issuer, which would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of this Prospectus or any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuer. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of this document and other offering material relating to the Securities please refer to section *Selling Restrictions* in this Base Prospectus.

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SUMMARY

This summary must be read as an introduction to this Base Prospectus and any decision to invest in any Securities should be based on a consideration of this Base Prospectus as a whole, including the documents incorporated by reference. No civil liability attaches to the Issuer in respect of this Summary, including any translation thereof, unless it is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent when read together with the other parts of this Base Prospectus. Where a claim relating to information contained in this Base Prospectus is brought before a court in a Member State of the European Economic Area (an “EEA State”), the plaintiff may, under the national legislation of the EEA State where the claim is brought, be required to bear the costs of translating the Base Prospectus before the legal proceedings are initiated.

Words and expressions defined elsewhere in this Base Prospectus shall have the same meanings in this summary.

Issuer:

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Bank N.V.) (the “**Issuer**” or “**RBS N.V.**”) acting through its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4AA.

History and Incorporation:

The origin of RBS N.V. can be traced to the formation of “Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V.” in 1825 pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824. RBS N.V.’s articles of association were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. B.J Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. RBS N.V. is registered in the Commercial Register of Amsterdam under number 33002587. RBS N.V.’s registered office is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RBS Holdings N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Holding N.V.) (“**RBS Holdings**”), which is incorporated as a limited liability company under Dutch law by deed of 30 May 1990. The articles of association of RBS Holdings were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. M.W. Galjaart, a deputy of Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. The registered office of RBS Holdings is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS Holdings owns 100 per cent. of RBS N.V.’s shares and is

jointly and severally liable for all our liabilities in respect of the structured products pursuant to a declaration under Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code.

RBS Holdings and the Issuer form part of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group (referred to as the “Group”, “RBS” or “RBS Group”).

Overview:

The Issuer is a bank licensed by the Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*). RBS Group targets the highest possible credit rating for RBS N.V.

The Issuer operates on a significant scale across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), the Americas and Asia. At legal separation from the ABN AMRO group on 1 April 2010 (see the paragraph *Separation from the ABN AMRO group* below), RBS N.V. has a sizeable balance sheet, a significant staff presence and a broad set of products; provided by a sales force operating in approximately 40 countries (reducing over time following intended asset sales or exits of selected network countries). As at 31 December 2009, the RBS acquired businesses within RBS N.V. reported total consolidated assets of €275 billion and had more than 27,000 full time staff through a network of 264 offices and branches.

Headquartered in Edinburgh, the RBS Group operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and internationally through its two principal subsidiaries, RBS and Natwest. Both RBS and Natwest are major United Kingdom clearing banks whose origins go back over 275 years. In the United States, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc’s subsidiary Citizens is a large commercial banking organization. RBS Group has a large and diversified customer base and provides a wide range of products and services to personal, commercial and large corporate and institutional customers.

Group Organisational Structure:

RBS N.V. comprises the following core businesses:

- Global Banking & Markets: Global Lending, Equities, Short Term Markets & Funding, and Local Markets;
- Global Transaction Services: Global Trade Finance, Transaction Banking and International Cash Management;
- Risk & Restructuring: The Non-Core Division in Risk & Restructuring contains assets that are no longer core to RBS Group’s strategic objectives and include Trading, Wholesale Banking and Retail & Commercial Business Units, as well as selected network countries. The assets will reduce over time through wind-down, sale or transfer.

These RBS N.V. businesses are part of global business units in the RBS Group that operate across multiple legal entities. The strategy of RBS N.V. is part of the overall businesses’ strategies of the RBS Group.

Separation from the ABN AMRO group:

On 17 October 2007 85.6 per cent of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was acquired through RFS Holdings B.V. (“**RFS Holdings**”), a company incorporated by a consortium consisting of the RBS, Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV (“**Fortis**”) and Banco Santander S.A. each a ‘Consortium Member’.

On 3 October 2008, the State of the Netherlands (“**Dutch State**”) acquired all Fortis’ businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

RBS and the Dutch State agreed that the Dutch State acquired businesses would be legally separated from the residual RBS

acquired businesses into a new bank.

Legal demerger and legal separation process

On 30 September 2009 ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that a two-step approach would be taken to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – “**Legal Demerger**”: Transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (the “**Demerging Company**”) to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the “**Acquiring Company**”). Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company was to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The Acquiring Company, comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses, was to then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Legal Demerger and the consequent name changes were successfully effected on 6th February 2010.

Step 2 – “**Legal Separation**”: Transfer of the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Following the transfer of the shares in ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to a new holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was to be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.

The Legal Separation and the consequent name change were successfully effected on 1 April 2010. Following Legal Separation, the Issuer’s activities continue to be subject to Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) and the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) supervision and on a consolidated basis as part of the RBS Group subject to UK Financial Services Authority supervision. Due to the change in the operating model of RBS N.V. compared to pre-acquisition ABN AMRO Bank N.V. a licence renewal has been granted by the Dutch Central Bank on 3 February 2010.

Following Legal Separation a new managing board and supervisory board of RBS N.V. were appointed.

Risk Factors:

In the context of its business activities, the Issuer is subject to various risks that are typical of the banking industry. Should certain risks materialise, this may adversely affect the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of the Issuer and its subsidiaries and, consequently, the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of RBS Holdings and, hence, the capacity (i) of the Issuer to meet its liabilities under the Securities towards the holders of Securities (the “**Holder**”), and/or (ii) of RBS Holdings to meet its obligations under the guarantee. Factors which can adversely affect the business situation, financial condition and profits and losses of the Issuer are inter alia (i) general economic conditions and other business conditions, (ii) competition, (iii) regulatory change and (iv) standard banking risks including changes in interest and foreign exchange rates and operational, credit, market, liquidity and legal risks.

In addition, there are certain factors which are material for the

purpose of assessing the market risks associated with the Securities including (i) the value of the Securities may fluctuate based on the value of the Underlying, (ii) there may not be a secondary market in the Securities, (iii) holders of the Securities have no ownership interest in the Underlying and (iv) there may be limitations on a holder's right to exercise the Securities or there may be delays in effecting settlement, see section Risk Factors in this Base Prospectus.

Guarantor:

RBS Holdings pursuant to its declaration under Article 2:403 of the Netherlands Civil Code.

Principal Agent and Calculation Agent:

RBS N.V. acting through its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4AA.

Listing and Admission to Trading:

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market specified in the Final Terms for Securities to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market specified in the Final Terms up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities.

Description of the Securities:

A range of notes may be issued under this Base Prospectus. The terms and conditions (the "**Conditions**") applicable to such notes are contained in general conditions (the "**General Conditions**") which are applicable to all notes, product conditions (the "**Product Conditions**") applicable to the particular type of note being issued and the Final Terms (as defined in the Product Conditions) applicable to the particular Series (as defined in the Product Conditions) being issued.

The notes are investment instruments which may or may not bear interest and which, at maturity or earlier termination, either pay a cash amount which may or may not be equal to the nominal amount of the relevant note, less certain expenses (the "**Cash Amount**") or, in the case of exchangeable notes, permit the Holder to exchange his note for, depending on the terms of the relevant note, a defined amount of the Underlying (as defined below) or an amount in cash calculated by reference to the value of the Underlying (the "**Conversion Amount**"). The amount of interest to be paid and/or the Cash Amount and/or the Conversion Amount may or may not be dependent upon the performance of an underlying reference rate, stock, index and its constituent elements or basket (together, the "**Underlying**"), in all cases, as provided in the terms of the relevant note. The types of note that may be issued under this Base Prospectus

are described below.

Range Accrual Notes:

Range accrual notes are interest bearing cash settled securities. Range accrual notes are redeemed at a percentage of their nominal amount. The amount of interest paid on a range accrual note depends on the performance of one or more underlying reference rates, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Typically, interest will accrue for each relevant day in an interest period on which the Underlying performs in the manner specified in the Final Terms but will not accrue in respect of other days. Interest on a range accrual note may also be paid at a pre-determined specified rate for certain interest periods specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Ladder Notes:

Ladder notes are interest bearing cash settled securities which may be called by the Issuer on specified dates. Ladder notes are redeemed at a percentage of their nominal amount. The amount of interest paid on a ladder note depends on the performance of an underlying reference rate, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Typically, interest will be paid in respect of each interest period either at a pre-determined specified rate or at the difference between a pre-determined specified rate and an identified floating rate for the relevant interest period, subject in the latter case to any minimum rate specified for the relevant interest period, all as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Target Coupon Notes:

Target coupon notes are interest bearing cash settled securities. Target coupon notes are redeemed at a percentage of their nominal amount. The amount of interest paid on a target coupon note depends on the performance of one or more underlying shares, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Typically, a target interest amount will be set which, if reached prior to maturity, may result in early termination of the securities. In certain cases additional interest amounts may also be paid as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Rate Notes:

Rate notes are cash settled securities which may or may not bear interest and are redeemed at their nominal amount or a stated percentage thereof. The amount of interest paid on a rate note may depend on the performance of one or more underlying reference rates and/or may be determined by reference to a fixed rate or rates, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Zero Coupon Notes:

Zero coupon notes are cash settled securities which are issued at a percentage of the nominal amount and which do not bear any interest.

Currency Exchange Notes:

Currency exchange notes are cash settled securities which may or may not bear interest and are redeemed at their nominal amount or a stated percentage thereof. The amount of interest paid on a currency exchange note will depend on the performance of one or more underlying currency exchange rates, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Yield Discovery Notes:

Yield discovery notes are capital protected interest bearing cash settled securities. Yield discovery notes are redeemed at their nominal amount. The amount of interest paid on a yield discovery note depends on the performance of an underlying basket of shares, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The maximum rate of interest so determined may be capped at the level specified in the applicable Final Terms. Interest on a yield discovery note may also be paid at a pre-determined specified rate for certain interest periods as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The rate of interest for certain interest periods may be at least the level of the previous year.

Certificate Notes:

Certificate notes are cash settled securities which may or may not be interest bearing or capital protected. The Cash Amount payable at maturity of a certificate note will at least equal its nominal amount (if it is capital protected) plus a return (which may be zero) calculated by reference to the performance of one or more underlying certificates, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Index Notes:

Index notes are cash settled securities which may be partially or fully capital protected and may be interest bearing. If applicable, interest may be payable at a rate specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Cash Amount payable at maturity on an index note will at least equal a specified percentage of its nominal amount but may be higher than that amount and may be subject to a capped maximum gain depending on the performance of the Underlying, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Inflation Index Notes:

Inflation index notes are fixed-income securities that track a consumer price index and offer a real rate of return; that is, they generate monthly interest payments that exceed the prevailing inflation rate by a specified amount.

Callable Index Notes:

Callable index notes are non-interest bearing cash settled securities. The Cash Amount payable on the note will depend on the performance of the underlying index specified in the applicable Final Terms. If during the life of the note the Issuer determines that an early redemption event has occurred, the note may be redeemed at an

amount determined in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. If, by the maturity date, an early redemption event has not occurred, the Cash Amount paid in respect of the note will depend upon the performance of the Underlying at maturity and may be less than the nominal amount of the note.

Autocallable Notes:

Autocallable Notes are cash settled or physically settled (if specified in the applicable Final Terms) securities which are not capital protected and may be interest bearing. The Cash Amount payable on, and the maturity date of, the note will depend on the performance of the Underlying specified in the applicable Final Terms. If on specified dates during the life of the note the level of the Underlying performs in a specified manner (an “**Early Termination Event**”), the note will be redeemed at its nominal amount plus an additional amount specified in the applicable Final Terms. If, by the maturity date, an Early Termination Event has not occurred, the Cash Amount paid in respect of the note will depend upon the performance of the Underlying at maturity and may be less than the nominal amount of the note.

Share Notes:

Share notes are cash settled securities and may be interest bearing. If applicable, interest may be payable on a share note at a rate specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Cash Amount payable at maturity of a share note may be at least equal to a specified percentage of its nominal amount, may be subject to a capped gain and/or may depend on the performance of the Underlying, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Exchangeable Notes:

Exchangeable notes may be cash settled or physically settled securities and may be interest bearing. If applicable, interest may be payable on an exchangeable note at a rate specified in the applicable Final Terms. The cash amount payable at maturity of a cash settled exchangeable note may be at least equal to a specified percentage of its nominal amount, may be subject to a capped gain and/or may depend on the performance of the Underlying, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. In the case of a physically settled exchangeable note, the share amount to be delivered will be determined by reference to the performance of the underlying share in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Multi-Asset Basket Linked Notes:

Multi-asset Basket Linked Notes are cash settled securities which may be partially or fully capital protected and may be interest bearing. If applicable, interest may be payable at a rate specified in

the applicable Final Terms. The cash amount payable at maturity on a Note will at least equal a specified percentage of its Nominal Amount but may be higher than that amount and may be subject to a capped maximum gain depending on the performance of the Underlying, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Fund Linked Notes:

Fund linked notes are cash settled securities which may be partially or fully capital protected and may be interest bearing. If applicable, interest may be payable at a rate specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Basket related Capital Protected Notes:

Basket related capital protected notes enable investors to participate in the performance of one or more baskets of different components relating to the relevant Series (including, without limitation and as specified in the applicable Final Terms, an index component, a real estate index component, a commodity component or a bond index component). In addition to capital protection, an investor may, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, receive an additional amount depending on the performance of one or more baskets of different components. If specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Interim Cash Settlement Amount or Interest Amount (each as defined in the applicable Final Terms) will be payable (subject to any applicable conditions being met) on the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Payment Date or each Interest Payment Date, as the case may be.

Commodity Notes:

Commodity notes are cash settled securities which may be partially or fully capital protected and may or may not be interest bearing. The Cash Amount payable at maturity of a commodity note is calculated by reference to the performance of one or more underlying commodities, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Indicative Issue Price:

The Securities will be issued at their nominal amount or a percentage thereof.

Maturity:

The Securities have a fixed maturity date, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, but may be subject to early termination in the event that the level of the Underlying exceeds a level specified in the applicable Final Terms or if the Issuer has a call option.

Interest:

The Securities may bear interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

General Conditions

Set out below is a summary of certain significant provisions of the General Conditions applicable to all Securities issued under this Base Prospectus.

Status of the Securities:

The Securities constitute unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank pari passu among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.

Early Termination:

The Issuer may terminate any Securities if it shall have determined in its absolute discretion that its performance thereunder shall have become unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance in good faith by the Issuer with any applicable law. In such circumstances the Issuer will, to the extent permitted by law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination (ignoring such illegality) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements.

Hedging Disruption:

If a Hedging Disruption Event (as defined in General Condition 5) occurs, the Issuer will at its discretion (i) terminate the Securities and pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements or (ii) make a good faith adjustment to the relevant reference asset as described in General Condition 5(c) or (iii) make any other adjustment to the Conditions as it considers appropriate in order to maintain the theoretical value of the Securities after adjusting for the relevant Hedging Disruption Event. The Issuer may make adjustments following any event likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's hedge position, subject to the conditions set out in General Condition 5(d).

Substitution:

The Issuer may at any time, without the consent of the Holders substitute for itself as Issuer of the Securities, RBS Plc or any entity other than RBS Plc subject to the conditions set out in General Condition 8. In certain cases, substitution may be required to be effected in accordance with the rules of one or more clearing systems specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Events of Default:

The terms of the Securities will contain the following events of default:

- (a) default in payment of any principal or interest due in respect of the Securities, continuing for a specified period of time;
- (b) non-performance or non-observance by the Issuer of any of its other obligations under the Securities continuing for a specified

period of time; and

(c) events relating to the winding up of the Issuer.

Taxation:

The Holder (and not the Issuer) shall be liable for and/or pay any tax, duty or charge in connection with the ownership of and/or any transfer, payment or delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Holder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable to any Holder such amount as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment.

Product Conditions:

Set out below is a summary of certain significant provisions of the Product Conditions applicable to the Securities to be issued under this Base Prospectus.

Form of Securities:

Except in the case of Securities issued in dematerialised form, the Securities will be issued in global form.

Settlement of Securities:

Securities shall be cash settled or, in the case of exchangeable notes, either cash settled or physically settled, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as Clearing Agent (as defined in the Product Conditions), Securities will, following their issuance, be transformed into intermediated securities in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act.

Market Disruption Events:

If a Market Disruption Event occurs Holders may experience a delay in settlement and the cash price paid on settlement may be adversely affected. Market Disruption Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security and vary depending on the type of Security.

Emerging Market Disruption Events:

The Emerging Market Disruption Events reflect the substantial risks associated with investing in emerging markets in addition to those risks normally associated with making investments in other countries. Potential investors should note that the securities markets in emerging market jurisdictions are generally substantially smaller and at times have been more volatile and illiquid than the major securities markets in more developed countries. If an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurs Holders may experience a delay in settlement of delivery and the cash price paid on settlement may be adversely affected. Emerging Market Disruption Events are defined in Product Conditions.

Potential Adjustment Event:

If a Potential Adjustment Event occurs the Calculation Agent may adjust one or more of the Conditions to account for the diluting or

concentrative effect of the Potential Adjustment Event. Potential Adjustment Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable) and vary depending on the type of Security.

Fund Event:

If a Fund Event occurs, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, in each case acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, may adjust one or more of the Conditions to reflect the impact of the Fund Event. Fund Events are defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable).

De-listing:

If a De-listing occurs the Calculation Agent may adjust one or more of the Conditions, including replacing the relevant Underlying, to account for such event. De-listing is defined in Product Condition 4 for each type of Security (if applicable).

Governing Law:

English law.

English courts:

The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or in connection with the Securities.

Final Terms:

Each Series will be the subject of a Final Terms which will contain the final terms applicable to the Series. The form of the Final Terms applicable to each type of Security is set out at the end of this Base Prospectus.

The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

RISK FACTORS

The Issuer believes that the following factors may affect its ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued. Most of these factors are contingencies which may or may not occur and the Issuer is not in a position to express a view on the likelihood of any such contingency occurring.

In addition, factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Securities issued are also described below.

The Issuer believes that the factors described below represent the principal risks inherent in investing in Securities issued, but the inability of the Issuer to pay interest, principal or other amounts on or in connection with any Securities, or to perform any delivery obligations in relation to the Securities, may occur for other reasons and the Issuer does not represent that the statements below regarding the risks of holding any Securities are exhaustive. Prospective investors should also read the detailed information set out elsewhere in this Base Prospectus and reach their own views prior to making any investment decision.

Before making an investment decision with respect to any Securities, prospective investors should consult their own stockbroker, bank manager, lawyer, accountant or other financial, legal and tax advisers and carefully review the risks entailed by an investment in the Securities and consider such an investment decision in the light of the prospective investor's personal circumstances.

Words and expressions defined elsewhere in this Base Prospectus shall have the same meaning in this section.

Factors that may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued

Each potential investor in the Securities should refer to the Risk Factors Section in the Issuer's registration document dated 1 July 2010 (the "**Registration Document**") incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus for a description of those factors which may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under Securities issued.

Factors which are material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with Securities issued

The Securities are notes which entail particular risks

The notes to be issued are investment instruments which may or may not bear interest and which (except in the case of exchangeable notes) at maturity or earlier termination pay the Cash Amount which may or may not be equal to the nominal amount of the relevant note. In the case of exchangeable notes, the Holder has the option at maturity or earlier termination to exchange the notes for a defined amount of the Underlying or the Conversion Amount, depending upon the terms of the exchangeable securities. As such, each note will entail particular risks. Notes which are not capital protected may result in the Holder losing some or, in certain limited cases, all of his initial investment. Notes where the interest amount paid is dependent upon the

performance of the Underlying may result in the Holder receiving no or only a limited periodic return on his investment.

The price at which a Holder will be able to sell notes prior to their redemption may be at a potentially substantial discount to the market value of the notes at the issue date depending upon the performance of the Underlying at the time of sale.

The Securities may not be a suitable investment for all investors

Each potential investor in the Securities must determine the suitability of that investment in light of its own circumstances. In particular, each potential investor should:

- (a) have sufficient knowledge and experience to make a meaningful evaluation of the Securities, the merits and risks of investing in the Securities and the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus or any applicable Final Terms;
- (b) have access to, and knowledge of, appropriate analytical tools to evaluate, in the context of its particular financial situation, an investment in the Securities and the impact the Securities will have on its overall investment portfolio;
- (c) have sufficient financial resources and liquidity to bear all of the risks of an investment in the Securities, including Securities with principal or interest payable in one or more currencies, or where the currency for principal or interest payments is different from the potential investor's currency;
- (d) understand thoroughly the terms of the Securities and be familiar with the behaviour of any relevant indices and financial markets; and
- (e) be able to evaluate (either alone or with the help of a financial adviser) possible scenarios for economic, interest rate and other factors that may affect its investment and its ability to bear the applicable risks.

Some Securities are complex financial instruments. Sophisticated institutional investors generally do not purchase complex financial instruments as stand-alone investments. They purchase complex financial instruments as a way to reduce risk or enhance yield with an understood, measured, appropriate addition of risk to their overall portfolios. A potential investor should not invest in Securities which are complex financial instruments unless it has the expertise (either alone or with a financial adviser) to evaluate how the Securities will perform under changing conditions, the resulting effects on the value of the Securities and the impact this investment will have on the potential investor's overall investment portfolio.

The value of the Securities may fluctuate

The value of the Securities may move up and down between their date of purchase and their maturity date. Holders may sustain a total loss of their investment (unless the Securities are of a type in which capital is protected). Prospective purchasers should therefore ensure that they understand fully the nature of the Securities before they invest in the Securities.

Several factors, many of which are beyond the Issuer's control, will influence the value of the Securities at any time, including the following:

- (a) *Valuation of the Underlying.* The market price of the Securities at any time is expected to be affected primarily by changes in the level of the Underlying to which such Securities are linked. It is impossible to predict how the level of the relevant Underlying will vary over time. Factors which may have an effect on the level of the Underlying include, in the case of a stock or index, the rate of return of the Underlying and the financial position and prospects of the issuer of the Underlying or any component thereof. In addition, the level of the Underlying may depend on a number of interrelated factors, including economic, financial and political events and their effect on the capital markets generally and relevant stock exchanges. Potential investors should also note that whilst the market value of the Securities is linked to the relevant Underlying and will be influenced (positively or negatively) by it, any change may not be comparable and may be disproportionate. It is possible that while the Underlying is increasing in value, the value of the Securities may fall. Further, where no market value is available for an Underlying, the Calculation Agent may determine its value to be zero notwithstanding the fact that there may be no Market Disruption Event (including an Emerging Market Disruption Event) and/or no Potential Adjustment Events and/or no De-listing and/or no Fund Event which apply.
- (b) *Interest Rates.* Investments in the Securities may involve interest rate risk with respect to the currency of denomination of the Underlying and/or the Securities. A variety of factors influence interest rates such as macro economic, governmental, speculative and market sentiment factors. Such fluctuations may have an impact on the value of the Securities at any time prior to valuation of the Underlying relating to the Securities.
- (c) *Volatility.* The term "volatility" refers to the actual and anticipated frequency and magnitude of changes of the market price with respect to an Underlying. Volatility is affected by a number of factors such as macro economic factors, speculative trading and supply and demand in the options, futures and other derivatives markets. Volatility of an Underlying will move up and down over time (sometimes more sharply than others) and different Underlyings will most likely have separate volatilities at any particular time.
- (d) *Exchange Rates.* Even where payments in respect of the Securities are not expressly linked to a rate or rates of exchange between currencies, the value of the Securities could, in certain circumstances, be affected by such factors as fluctuations in the rates of exchange between any currency in which any payment in respect of the Securities is to be made and any currency in which the Underlying is traded, appreciation or depreciation of any such currencies and any existing or future governmental or other restrictions on the exchangeability of such currencies. There can be no assurance that rates of exchange between any relevant currencies which are current rates at the date of issue of any

Securities will be representative of the relevant rates of exchange used in computing the value of the relevant Securities at any time thereafter.

- (e) *Disruption.* If so indicated in the Conditions, the Calculation Agent may determine that a Market Disruption Event (which includes Emerging Market Disruption Events), Fund Event, Potential Adjustment Event and/or De-listing has occurred or exists at a relevant time. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in the respect of the Securities. In addition, if so indicated in the Conditions, a Calculation Agent may determine that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred or exists at any relevant time in relation to a physically settled note. Any such determination may cause a delay in delivery of the Underlying and, where a cash price equivalent to the value of the Underlying is paid in lieu of delivery of the Underlying, the cash price paid may be adversely affected.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

- (f) *Creditworthiness.* Any person who purchases the Securities is relying upon the creditworthiness of the Issuer and of RBS Holdings (pursuant to its declaration under Article 2:403 of the Netherlands Civil Code) and has no rights against any other person. The Securities constitute general, unsecured, contractual obligations of the Issuer and of no other person. The Securities rank pari passu among themselves.

There may not be a secondary market in the Securities

Potential investors should be willing to hold the Securities through their life. The nature and extent of any secondary market in the Securities cannot be predicted. As a consequence any person intending to hold the Securities should consider liquidity in the Securities as a risk. If the Securities are listed or quoted on an exchange or quotation system this does not imply greater or lesser liquidity than if equivalent Securities were not so listed or quoted. However, if Securities are not listed or quoted there may be a lack of transparency with regard to pricing information. Liquidity may also be affected by legal restrictions on offers for sale in certain jurisdictions. The Issuer may affect the liquidity of the Securities by purchasing and holding the Securities for its own account during trading in the secondary market. Any such Securities may be resold at any time into the market.

The Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion, decide to offer a secondary market in the Securities. In the event that the Issuer elects to offer such secondary market, the Issuer shall be entitled to impose such conditions as it, in its sole and absolute discretion, shall deem fit, including but not limited to:

- (a) providing a large bid/offer spread determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion by reference to the Issuer's own appreciation of the risks involved in providing such secondary market;
- (b) normal market conditions prevailing at such date; and

(c) limiting the number of Securities in respect of which it is prepared to offer such secondary market.

Holders should note that the imposition of any of the above conditions may severely limit the availability of any such secondary market and may result in Holders receiving significantly less than they otherwise would have received if the Securities were redeemed at maturity.

As part of its issuing, market-making and/or trading arrangements, the Issuer may issue more Securities than those which are to be subscribed or purchased by third party investors. The Issuer (or any of its affiliates) may hold such Securities for the purpose of meeting any investor interest in the future. Prospective investors in the Securities should therefore not regard the issue size of any Series as indicative of the depth or liquidity of the market for such Series, or of the demand for such Series.

In the event that such a secondary market does not develop, it is unlikely that an investor in the Securities will be able to sell his Securities or at prices that will provide him with a yield comparable to similar investments that have a developed secondary market.

Purchasing the Securities as a hedge may not be effective

Any person intending to use the Securities as a hedge instrument should recognise the correlation risk. The Securities may not be a perfect hedge to an Underlying or portfolio of which the Underlying forms a part. In addition, it may not be possible to liquidate the Securities at a level which directly reflects the price of the Underlying or portfolio of which the Underlying forms a part.

Actions taken by the Issuer may affect the value of the Securities

The Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may carry out activities that minimise its and/or their risks related to the Securities, including effecting transactions for their own account or for the account of their customers and hold long or short positions in the Underlying whether for risk reduction purposes or otherwise. In addition, in connection with the offering of any Securities, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may enter into one or more hedging transactions with respect to the Underlying. In connection with such hedging or market-making activities or with respect to proprietary or other trading activities by the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may enter into transactions in the Underlying which may affect the market price, liquidity or value of the Underlying and/or the Securities and which could be deemed to be adverse to the interests of the Holders. The Issuer and/or its affiliates are likely to modify their hedging positions throughout the life of the Securities whether by effecting transactions in the Underlying or in derivatives linked to the Underlying. Further, it is possible that the advisory services which the Issuer and/or its affiliates provide in the ordinary course of its/their business could lead to an adverse impact on the value of the Underlying.

The Issuer may also make adjustments to the Conditions if it determines that an event has occurred which, whilst not a Hedging Disruption Event or other disruption event is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's Hedge Position. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in respect of the Securities.

Holders have no ownership interest in the Underlying

The Securities convey no interest in the Underlying. The Issuer may choose not to hold the Underlying or any derivatives contracts linked to the Underlying. There is no restriction through the issue of the Securities on the ability of the Issuer and/or its affiliates to sell, pledge or otherwise convey all right, title and interest in any Underlying or any derivatives contracts linked to the Underlying.

Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the Underlying

The Calculation Agent is the agent of the Issuer and not the agent of the Holders or any of them. The Issuer may itself act as the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent will make such adjustments as it considers appropriate as a consequence of certain corporate actions affecting the Underlying. In making these adjustments the Calculation Agent is entitled to exercise substantial discretion and may be subject to conflicts of interest in exercising this discretion. The Calculation Agent is not required to make adjustments with respect to each and every corporate action.

Taxes may be payable by investors

Potential purchasers and sellers of the Securities should be aware that they may be required to pay stamp taxes or other documentary charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country where the Securities are transferred. Holders are subject to the provisions of General Condition 9 and payment and/or delivery of any amount due in respect of the Securities will be conditional upon the payment of any Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions.

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt as to their tax position should consult their own independent tax advisers. In addition, potential purchasers should be aware that tax regulations and their application by the relevant taxation authorities change from time to time. Accordingly, it is not possible to predict the precise tax treatment which will apply at any given time.

No tax gross-up

If payments on the Securities are or become subject to a withholding or deduction required by law on account of any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature, the Issuer will make the required withholding or deduction, as the case may be, and neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent nor any other person shall pay any additional amounts to the Holders in respect of such withholding or deduction. Please refer to section General Condition 9 - Taxation.

The Securities may be terminated prior to their stated date

If the Issuer determines that the performance of its obligations under the Securities has become illegal or impractical in whole or in part for any reason or the Issuer determines that it is no longer legal or practical for it to maintain its hedging arrangement with respect to the Securities for any reason, the Issuer may at its discretion and without obligation terminate early the Securities. If the Issuer terminates early the Securities, the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay the holder of each such Security an

amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be its fair market value less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements notwithstanding the illegality or impracticality.

Risks associated with Securities held in global form

The Securities will initially be held by or on behalf of one or more clearing systems specified in the applicable Final Terms (each a “**Relevant Clearing System**”), either in the form of a global Security which will be exchangeable for definitive Securities only in the event of the closure of all Relevant Clearing Systems or in dematerialised form depending on the rules of the Relevant Clearing System. For as long as any Securities are held by or on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System, payments of principal, interest and any other amounts will be made through the Relevant Clearing System, where required, against presentation or surrender (as the case may be) of the relevant global Security and, in the case of a temporary global Security, certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership. The risk is that the bearer or registered holder, as the case may be, of the relevant global Security, typically a depository or a nominee for a depository for the Relevant Clearing System, or, in the case of Securities in dematerialised form, the Relevant Clearing System and not the Holder itself, shall be treated by the Issuer and any Agent (as defined in the Conditions) as the sole holder of the relevant Securities with respect to the payment of principal, interest (if any) and any other amounts payable in respect of the Securities or any securities deliverable in respect of the Securities. Holders therefore are required to look to the Relevant Clearing System in respect of payments made to it by the Issuer in respect of Securities in global or dematerialised form.

Securities which are held by or on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of the Relevant Clearing System.

Risk associated with nominee arrangements

Where a nominee service provider is used by an investor to hold Securities or such investor holds interests in any Security through accounts with a Relevant Clearing System, such investor will receive payments in respect of principal, interest, or any other amounts due, or securities deliverable, as applicable, solely on the basis of the arrangements entered into by the investor with the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System, as the case may be. Furthermore, such investor must rely on the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System to distribute all payments or securities attributable to the relevant Securities which are received from the Issuer. Accordingly, such an investor will be exposed to the credit risk of, and default risk in respect of, the relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System, as well as the Issuer.

In addition, such a Holder will only be able to sell any Securities held by it prior to their stated maturity date with the assistance of the relevant nominee service provider.

None of the Issuer or any Agent shall be responsible for the acts or omissions of any relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System nor makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the service provided by any relevant nominee service provider or Relevant Clearing System.

The return on an investment in Securities will be affected by charges incurred by investors

An investor's total return on an investment in any Securities will be affected by the level of fees charged by the nominee service provider and/or Relevant Clearing System used by the investor. Such a person or institution may charge fees for the opening and operation of an investment account, transfers of Securities, custody services and on payments of interest, principal and other amounts or delivery of securities. Potential investors are therefore advised to investigate the basis on which any such fees will be charged on the relevant Securities.

Change of law and jurisdiction

The Conditions are based on English law in effect as at the date of this Base Prospectus. No assurance can be given as to the impact of any possible change to English law or administrative practice after the date of this Base Prospectus. Prospective investors in the Securities should note that the courts of England and Wales shall have jurisdiction in respect of any disputes involving the Securities. Holders may, however, take any suit, action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Securities against the Issuer in any court of competent jurisdiction. English law may be materially different from the equivalent law in the home jurisdiction of prospective investors in its application to the Securities.

Credit ratings may not reflect all risks

One or more independent credit rating agencies may assign credit ratings to the Issuer or the Securities. The ratings may not reflect the potential impact of all risks related to structure, market, additional factors discussed above, and other factors that may affect the value of the Securities. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be revised or withdrawn by the rating agency at any time.

Legal investment considerations may restrict certain investments

The investment activities of certain investors are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, or review or regulation by certain authorities. Each potential investor should consult its legal advisers to determine whether and to what extent (i) Securities are legal investments for it, (ii) Securities can be used as collateral for various types of borrowing and (iii) other restrictions apply to its purchase or pledge of any Securities. Financial institutions should consult their legal advisers or the appropriate regulators to determine the appropriate treatment of Securities under any applicable risk-based capital or similar rules.

Modification, waivers and substitution

The Issuer may decide to make modifications to the Securities without the consent of the Holders which may affect the Holders' interest either:

- (a) for the purpose of curing any ambiguity or of curing, correcting or supplementing any manifest error or other defective provision; or
- (b) in any other manner which is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders; or

- (c) for the purpose of the substitution of another company as principal debtor under any Securities in place of the Issuer, in the circumstances described in General Condition 8.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Base Prospectus as completed and/or amended by the Final Terms. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

ESSENTIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ISSUER

History and incorporation

The origin of RBS N.V. can be traced to the formation of “Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V.” in 1825 pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824. RBS N.V.’s articles of association were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. B.J Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. RBS N.V. is registered in the Commercial Register of Amsterdam under number 33002587. RBS N.V.’s registered office is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS N.V. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RBS Holdings N.V. (previously named ABN AMRO Holding N.V.) (“**RBS Holdings**”), which is incorporated as a limited liability company under Dutch law by deed of 30 May 1990. The articles of association of RBS Holdings were last amended by deed of 1 April 2010 executed before Mr. M.W. Galjaart, a deputy of Mr. B.J. Kuck, a notary public in Amsterdam. The registered office of RBS Holdings is at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

RBS Holdings owns 100 per cent. of RBS N.V.’s shares and is jointly and severally liable for all our liabilities in respect of the structured products pursuant to a declaration under Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code.

RBS Holdings and the Issuer form part of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group (referred to as the “**Group**”, “**RBS**” or “**RBS Group**”).

Overview

The Issuer is a bank licensed by the Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*). RBS Group targets the highest possible credit rating for RBS N.V.

The Issuer operates on a significant scale across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), the Americas and Asia. At legal separation from the ABN AMRO group on 1 April 2010 (see the paragraph “Separation from the ABN AMRO group” below), RBS N.V. has a sizeable balance sheet, a significant staff presence and a broad set of products; provided by a sales force operating in approximately 40 countries (reducing over time following intended asset sales or exits of selected network countries). As at 31 December 2009, the RBS acquired businesses within RBS N.V. reported total consolidated assets of €275 billion and had more than 27,000 full time staff through a network of 264 offices and branches.

Headquartered in Edinburgh, the RBS Group operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and internationally through its two principal subsidiaries, RBS and Natwest. Both RBS and Natwest are major United Kingdom clearing banks whose origins go back over 275 years. In the United States, RBS Group’s subsidiary Citizens is a large commercial banking organization. RBS Group has a large and diversified

customer base and provides a wide range of products and services to personal, commercial and large corporate and institutional customers.

Group Organisational Structure

RBS N.V. comprises the following core businesses:

- Global Banking & Markets: Global Lending, Equities, Short Term Markets & Funding, and Local Markets;
- Global Transaction Services: Global Trade Finance, Transaction Banking and International Cash Management;
- Risk & Restructuring: The Non-Core Division in Risk & Restructuring contains assets that are no longer core to RBS Group's strategic objectives and include Trading, Wholesale Banking and Retail & Commercial Business Units, as well as selected network countries. The assets will reduce over time through wind-down, sale or transfer.

These RBS N.V. businesses are part of global business units in the RBS Group that operate across multiple legal entities. The strategy of RBS N.V. is part of the overall businesses' strategies of the RBS Group.

Separation from the ABN AMRO group

On 17 October 2007 85.6per cent of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was acquired through RFS Holdings B.V. ("**RFS Holdings**"), a company incorporated by a consortium consisting of the RBS, Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV ("**Fortis**") and Banco Santander S.A. each a "**Consortium Member**".

On 3 October 2008, the State of the Netherlands ("**Dutch State**") acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

RBS and the Dutch State agreed that the Dutch State acquired businesses would be legally separated from the residual RBS acquired businesses into a new bank.

Legal demerger and legal separation process

On 30 September 2009 ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that a two-step approach would be taken to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – "**Legal Demerger**": Transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (the "**Demerging Company**") to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the "**Acquiring Company**"). Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company was to be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The

Acquiring Company, comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses, was to then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Legal Demerger and the consequent name changes were successfully effected on 6th February 2010.

Step 2 – “**Legal Separation**”: Transfer of the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Following the transfer of the shares in ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to a new holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. was to be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.

The Legal Separation and the consequent name change were successfully effected on 1 April 2010. Following Legal Separation, the Issuer’s activities continue to be subject to Dutch Central Bank (*De Nederlandsche Bank*) and the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) supervision and on a consolidated basis as part of the RBS Group subject to UK Financial Services Authority supervision. Due to the change in the operating model of RBS N.V. compared to pre-acquisition ABN AMRO Bank N.V. a licence renewal has been granted by the Dutch Central Bank on 3 February 2010.

Following Legal Separation a new managing board and supervisory board of RBS N.V. were appointed.

Issued Financial Instruments on the Issuer’s securities

At the time hereof, there are no convertible bonds or options on the issuer's securities (including employee options) outstanding which have been issued by the Issuer or by group companies of the Issuer.

Equity Securities

All the Issuer's ordinary shares are held by RBS Holdings N.V. and are not listed or traded.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The Issuer's registration document dated 1 July 2010 (the "**Registration Document**") prepared in accordance with Article 5(3) of the Prospectus Directive was published prior to the date of this Base Prospectus, has been approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Autoriteit Financiële Markten*) in its capacity as competent authority under the Act on Financial Supervision (*Wet op het financieel toezicht (Wft) 2007*) (the "**Competent Authority**") and shall together with the documents incorporated therein, be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus.

The following documents which have previously been published or are published simultaneously with this Prospectus and have been filed with the AFM shall, among other documents incorporated into the Registration Document by reference, be deemed to be incorporated in, and to form part of, this Base Prospectus:

- a) the publicly available consolidated financial statements of RBS Holdings in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2009, 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2007 respectively and the auditor's reports for the respective years, as included in the annual report for those financial years;
- b) the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information relating to RBS Holdings N.V. for the year ended 31 December 2009 as included in the press release announcing completion of the legal separation dated 1 April 2010;
- c) the Articles of Association (*statuten*) of each of RBS Holdings and RBS N.V. as in force and effect on the date of this prospectus;
- d) the terms of reference of the Audit Committee as set out in the Rules Governing the Supervisory Board's Principles and Best Practices dated 29 April 2010;
- e) the publicly available press release in connection with the RBS Holdings N.V. first quarter 2010 financial results, dated 9 June 2010; and
- f) the publicly available interim report in connection with the RBS Holding N.V. financial results of the first half year of 2010, published on 31 August 2010.

The Registration Document and copies of all documents incorporated by reference as mentioned above, are accessible at <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive> and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group Investor Relations, 280 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 207 672 1758, email investor.relations@rbs.com or at the registered office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom.

The Issuer will in the event of any significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to the information included in this Base Prospectus which is capable of affecting the assessment of any Securities, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus for use in connection with any subsequent issue of Securities.

Material Adverse Change

Save as disclosed in this document and/or the documents incorporated by reference herein, there has been no significant change in the financial position of the Issuer since 31st December 2009. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer since 31st December 2009 other than as disclosed in this LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference herein.

TAXATION

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt about their tax position on purchase, ownership, transfer, exercise or non-exercise of any Security should consult their professional tax advisers.

1. GENERAL

Purchasers of Securities may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws of practices of the country of purchase in addition to the issue or purchase price of each Security.

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty or other payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Securities.

The Purchasers should be aware that tax treatment depends on the individual circumstances of each client any may be subject to change in future.

2. EU SAVINGS DIRECTIVE

Under EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income, Member States are required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest (or similar income) paid by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual resident in that other Member State or to certain limited types of entities established in that other Member State. However, for a transitional period, Luxembourg and Austria are instead required (unless during that period they elect otherwise) to operate a withholding system in relation to such payments (the ending of such transitional period being dependent upon the conclusion of certain other agreements relating to information exchange with certain other countries). A number of non-EU countries and territories including Switzerland have adopted similar measures (a withholding system in the case of Switzerland).

On 15 September 2008 the European Commission issued a report to the Council of the European Union on the operation of the Directive, which included the Commission's advice on the need for changes to the Directive. On 13 November 2008 the European Commission published a more detailed proposal for amendments to the Directive, which included a number of suggested changes. The European Parliament approved an amended version of this proposal on 24 April 2009. If any of the proposed changes are made in relation to the Directive, they may amend or broaden the scope of the requirements described above.

3. THE NETHERLANDS

General

The following summary outlines the principal Netherlands tax consequences of the acquisition, holding, settlement, redemption and disposal of the Securities, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all Netherlands tax considerations in relation thereto. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Securities.

This summary is based on tax legislation, published case law, treaties, regulations and published policy, in each case as in force as of the date of this Base Prospectus, and does not take into account any developments or amendments thereof after that date whether or not such developments or amendments have retroactive effect.

This summary does not address the Netherlands tax consequences for:

- (i) holders of Securities holding a substantial interest (*aanmerkelijk belang*) or deemed substantial interest (*fictief aanmerkelijk belang*) in the Issuer and holders of Securities of whom a certain related person holds a substantial interest in the Issuer. Generally speaking, a substantial interest in the Issuer arises if a person, alone or, where such person is an individual, together with his or her partner (statutory defined term), directly or indirectly, holds (i) an interest of 5 per cent or more of the total issued capital of the Issuer or of 5 per cent or more of the issued capital of a certain class of shares of the Issuer, (ii) rights to acquire, directly or indirectly, such interest or (iii) certain profit sharing rights in the Issuer;
- (ii) investment institutions (*fiscale beleggingsinstellingen*); and
- (iii) pension funds, exempt investment institutions (*vrijgestelde beleggingsinstellingen*) or other entities that are exempt from Netherlands corporate income tax.

This summary does not describe the consequences of the exchange or the conversion of the Securities.

Where this summary refers to a holder of Securities, such reference is restricted to a holder holding legal title to as well as an economic interest in such Securities.

Withholding Tax

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made free of withholding or deduction for any taxes of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld or assessed by the Netherlands or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein provided that the Securities do not in fact function as equity of the Issuer within the meaning of article 10, paragraph 1, under d of the Netherlands corporate income tax act 1969 (*Wet op de vennootschapsbelasting 1969*).

Corporate and Individual Income Tax

- (a) Residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes and is fully subject to Netherlands corporate income tax or is only subject to Netherlands corporate income tax in respect of an enterprise to which the Securities are attributable, income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Securities are generally taxable in the Netherlands (at up to a maximum rate of 25.5 per cent).

If an individual holder is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (including an individual holder who has opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the redemption, settlement or disposal of the Securities are taxable at the progressive rates (at up to a maximum rate of 52per cent) under the Netherlands income tax act 2001 (*Wet inkomstenbelasting 2001*), if:

- (i) the holder is an entrepreneur (*ondernemer*) and has an enterprise to which the Securities are attributable or the holder has, other than as a shareholder, a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise (*medegerechtigde*), to which enterprise the Securities are attributable; or
- (ii) such income or gains qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*), which include the performance of activities with respect to the Securities that exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*).

If neither condition (i) nor condition (ii) applies to the holder of the Securities, taxable income with regard to the Securities must be determined on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (*sparen en beleggen*), rather than on the basis of income actually received or gains actually realised. This deemed return on income from savings and investments has been fixed at a rate of 4per cent of the average of the individual's yield basis (*rendementsgrondslag*) at the beginning of the calendar year and the individual's yield basis at the end of the calendar year, insofar as the average exceeds a certain threshold. The average of the individual's yield basis is determined as the fair market value of certain qualifying assets held by the holder of the Securities less the fair market value of certain qualifying liabilities on 1 January and 31 December, divided by two. The fair market value of the Securities will be included as an asset in the individual's yield basis. The 4per cent deemed return on income from savings and investments will be taxed at a rate of 30per cent.

(b) Non-residents of the Netherlands

If a holder is not a resident nor is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes (or has not opted to be taxed as a resident of the Netherlands), such holder is not taxable in respect of income derived from the Securities and gains realised upon the settlement, redemption or disposal of the Securities, unless:

- (i) the holder is not an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Securities

are attributable, or (2) is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise or a co-entitlement to the net worth of an enterprise, which is effectively managed in the Netherlands (other than by way of securities) and to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

This income is subject to Netherlands corporate income tax at up to a maximum rate of 25.5per cent.

- (ii) the holder is an individual and such holder (1) has an enterprise or an interest in an enterprise that is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or a permanent representative in the Netherlands to which permanent establishment or permanent representative the Securities are attributable, or (2) realises income or gains with respect to the Securities that qualify as income from miscellaneous activities (*resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden*) in the Netherlands, which activities include the performance of activities in the Netherlands with respect to the Securities which exceed regular, active portfolio management (*normaal, actief vermogensbeheer*), or (3) is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise which is effectively managed in the Netherlands (other than by way of securities) and to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

Income derived from the Securities as specified under (1) and (2) is subject to individual income tax at up to a maximum rate of 52per cent. Income derived from a share in the profits as specified under (3) that is not already included under (1) or (2) will be taxed on the basis of a deemed return on income from savings and investments (as described above under “Residents of the Netherlands”). The fair market value of the share in the profits of the enterprise (which includes the Securities) will be part of the individual’s Netherlands yield basis.

Gift and Inheritance Tax

- (a) Residents of the Netherlands

Generally, gift and inheritance tax will be due in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Securities by way of a gift by, or on the death of, a holder that is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax at the time of the gift or his or her death.

A holder of Dutch nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift and inheritance tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands and dies or makes a donation within ten years after leaving the Netherlands. A holder of any other nationality is deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of the Netherlands gift tax if he or she has been resident in the Netherlands and makes a donation within a twelve months period after leaving the Netherlands. The same twelve-month rule may apply to entities that have transferred their seat of residence out of the Netherlands.

- (b) Non-residents of the Netherlands

No gift or inheritance taxes will arise in the Netherlands in respect of the acquisition of the Securities by way of a gift by, or as a result of, the death of a holder that is neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands for the purposes of Netherlands gift and inheritance tax, unless in the case of a gift of the Securities by a holder who at the date of the gift was neither a resident nor deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands, such holder dies within 180 days after the date of the gift, and at the time of his or her death is a resident or deemed to be a resident of the Netherlands.

Value Added Tax

In general, no value added tax will arise in respect of payments in consideration for the issue of the Securities or in respect of a cash payment made under the Securities, or in respect of a transfer of Securities.

Other Taxes and Duties

No registration tax, customs duty, transfer tax, stamp duty or any other similar documentary tax or duty will be payable in the Netherlands by a holder in respect of or in connection with the subscription, issue, placement, allotment, delivery or transfer of the Securities.

4. UNITED KINGDOM

The following applies only to persons who are beneficial owners of the Securities and is a summary of the Issuer's understanding of current United Kingdom law and HM Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") practice in the United Kingdom relating to certain aspects of United Kingdom taxation. Some aspects do not apply to certain classes of persons (such as dealers and persons connected with the Issuer) to whom special rules apply. The United Kingdom tax treatment of prospective Holders of the Securities depends on their individual circumstances and may be subject to change in the future. Prospective Holders of the Securities who are in any doubt as to their own tax position or who may be subject to tax in a jurisdiction other than the United Kingdom should consult their professional advisers. This summary outlines the principal United Kingdom tax consequences of the acquisition, holding, settlement, redemption and disposal of the Securities, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all United Kingdom tax considerations in relation thereto. This summary is intended as general information only and each prospective investor should consult a professional tax adviser with respect to the tax consequences of an investment in the Securities.

Withholding Tax

Securities issued otherwise than through the Issuer's London branch

Payments of interest on these Securities may be made without withholding on account of United Kingdom income tax.

Securities issued by the Issuer's London branch

Payments made in respect of the Securities may be made without deduction or withholding for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where such payments are not regarded as either interest or annual payments for United Kingdom tax purposes.

Even if such payments were to be regarded as interest or annual payments for United Kingdom tax purposes, the Issuer should not be required to withhold or deduct sums for or on account of United Kingdom income tax from payments made in respect of the Securities provided that the Securities are derivative contracts, the profits and losses arising from which are calculated in accordance with the provisions of Part 7 of the Corporation Tax Act 2009 (which broadly they should be provided that they are derivatives for the purposes of FRS25 (or International Accounting Standard 32) and are not excluded for the purposes of Part 7 of that Act by virtue of their underlying subject matter).

If interest payable on the Securities or if payments made in respect of the Securities were to be regarded as interest for United Kingdom tax purposes, provided that the Issuer is and continues to be a bank within the meaning of section 991 of the Income Tax Act 2007 (the “**ITA 2007**”), such payments may be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where the interest is paid in the ordinary course of the Issuer’s London branch’s business within the meaning of section 878 ITA 2007; this would include all payments of interest by the Issuer’s London branch except where those Securities concerned conform to the definition of tier 1, 2 or 3 capital for regulatory purposes or where there is an intention to avoid United Kingdom tax.

Payments of interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be made without deduction of or withholding on account of United Kingdom income tax if the Securities are and continue to be listed on a “recognised stock exchange”, as defined in section 1005 of the ITA 2007. The Euronext Amsterdam is a recognised stock exchange. The Securities will therefore satisfy this requirement if they are (a) officially listed in Amsterdam in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in EEA states and are admitted to trading on the Euronext Amsterdam, or (b) admitted to trading on another “recognised stock exchange” and officially listed in a country in which there is a “recognised stock exchange” in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in EEA states. Provided, therefore, that the Securities are and remain so listed, interest on the Securities will be payable without withholding or deduction on account of United Kingdom income tax whether or not the Issuer’s London branch carries on a banking business in the United Kingdom and whether or not the interest is paid in the ordinary course of its business.

Interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where interest on the Securities is paid by a company and, at the time the payment is made, the Issuer’s London branch reasonably believes (and any person by or through whom interest on the Securities is paid reasonably believes) that the beneficial owner is within the charge to United Kingdom corporation tax as regards the payment of interest; provided that HMRC has not given a direction (in circumstances where it has reasonable grounds to

believe that the above exemption is not available in respect of such payment of interest at the time the payment is made) that the interest should be paid under deduction of tax.

Interest on or in respect of the Securities may also be paid without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where the maturity of the Securities is less than 365 days and those Securities do not form part of a scheme or arrangement of borrowing intended to be capable of remaining outstanding for more than 364 days.

In other cases, an amount must generally be withheld from payments of interest on or in respect of Securities issued by the Issuer's London branch on account of United Kingdom income tax at the basic rate (currently 20 per cent.). However, where an applicable double tax treaty provides for a lower rate of withholding tax (or for no tax to be withheld) in relation to a Holder of the Securities, HMRC can issue a notice to the Issuer's London branch to pay interest to the Holder of the Securities without deduction of tax (or for interest to be paid with tax deducted at the rate provided for in the relevant double tax treaty).

UK Information Gathering Powers

Irrespective of whether the Securities are issued by the Issuer's London branch, Holders of the Securities may wish to note that, in certain circumstances, HMRC has power to obtain information (including the name and address of the beneficial owner of the interest) from any person in the United Kingdom who either pays or credits interest to or receives interest for the benefit of a Holder of the Securities. HMRC also has power, in certain circumstances, to obtain information from any person in the United Kingdom who pays amounts payable on the redemption of Securities (which are deeply discounted securities for the purposes of the Income Tax (Trading and Other Income) Act 2005) to or receives such amounts for the benefit of another person, although HMRC published practice indicates that HMRC will not exercise the power referred to above to require this information in respect of amounts payable on the redemption of deeply discounted securities where such amounts are paid on or before 5 April 2011. Such information may include the name and address of the beneficial owner of the amount payable on redemption. Any information obtained may, in certain circumstances, be exchanged by HMRC with the tax authorities of the jurisdiction in which the Holder of the Securities is resident for tax purposes.

Stamp Taxes

Subject to what follows, no stamp duty, capital duty, stamp duty reserve tax or other similar tax is payable in the United Kingdom on the issue of any Security or on the transfer of any Security in registered form or the transfer by delivery of any Security in bearer form. For the purposes of the following paragraphs, "**Exempt Loan Capital**" means any security which constitutes Loan Capital and: (a) does not carry rights to acquire shares or securities (by way of exchange, conversion or otherwise) that are not Exempt Loan Capital; (b) has not carried and does not carry a right to interest

the amount of which exceeds a reasonable commercial return on the nominal amount of the relevant security; (c) has not carried and does not carry a right to interest the amount of which falls or has fallen to be determined to any extent by reference to the results of, or any part of, a business or to the value of any property; and (d) has not carried and does not carry a right to a premium which is not reasonably comparable with amounts payable on securities listed on the London Stock Exchange.

Stamp duty on the issue of Securities

In relation to Securities in bearer form which are denominated in sterling and which are not loan capital (“**Loan Capital**”) for the purposes of section 78 of the Finance Act 1986 (“**FA 1986**”), a charge to United Kingdom stamp duty at 1.5 per cent. of the value of such Securities may arise if issued in the United Kingdom. No stamp duty liability will arise on the issue of such Securities if issued outside the United Kingdom. However, in relation to such Securities originally issued outside the United Kingdom, on the first transfer by delivery in the United Kingdom of any such Security a stamp duty liability at 1.5 per cent. of the value of such Security will arise.

For these purposes, a Security should be Loan Capital if the Holder has the right in all circumstances to be paid on redemption an amount equal to substantially all of the amount subscribed for the Security, either with or without any additional amount that may be payable on redemption.

Stamp duty on the transfer of Securities

No United Kingdom stamp duty should be required to be paid on transfers of Securities on sale provided no instrument of transfer is used to complete such sales.

An instrument transferring a Security in registered form on sale of the Security which is executed in the United Kingdom or which (if not executed in the United Kingdom) relates to any matter or thing done or to be done in the United Kingdom may be subject to stamp duty at a rate of 0.5 per cent. of the consideration paid for the Securities if the Securities are either not Loan Capital or are Loan Capital but are not Exempt Loan Capital.

Stamp duty reserve tax (“**SDRT**”) on the issue of Securities to a Clearance Service

No SDRT should be payable in relation to the issue of a Security to any person providing a clearance service, or a nominee for any such person, within the meaning of section 96 FA 1986 (a “**Clearance Service**”) unless the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of shares which are paired with shares (which are not “newly subscribed shares” as defined in section 99(12) FA 1986) issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

Except where an election has been made under which the alternative system of charge as provided for in section 97A FA 1986 (a “**s97A Election**”) applies, SDRT at a rate of 1.5 per cent may be payable on the issue or transfer of a Security to a Clearance Service where the Final Terms of that

Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of shares which are paired with shares (which are not “newly subscribed shares” as defined in section 99(12) FA 1986) issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

The ECJ has found in *C-569/07 HSBC Holdings plc and Vidacos Nominees Ltd v The Commissioners of Her Majesty’s Revenue & Customs* that the 1.5 per cent. charge is contrary to EU Community Law where shares are issued to a clearance system. HMRC has subsequently indicated that it will not levy the charge on shares issued to a clearance system within the EU. It is not clear the extent to which this decision applies to the Securities or the way in which any change in legislation or HMRC practice in response to this decision may alter the position outlined above.

SDRT on the transfer of Securities held within a Clearance Service

SDRT should generally not be payable in relation to an agreement to transfer a Security held within a Clearance Service provided that no s97A Election has been made.

SDRT on the transfer of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made

In the case of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or Securities held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made, no SDRT should be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer a Security unless the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of either: (i) stocks, shares or loan capital for the purposes of section 99(3) FA 1986 which are not Exempt Loan Capital and which are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom; or (ii) shares which are paired with shares issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom.

In the case of Securities held outside a Clearance Service or Securities held within a Clearance Service where a s97A Election has been made, SDRT should generally be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer a Security where the Final Terms of that Security entitle the Holder of the Security to physical settlement and the Underlying consists of either: (i) stocks, shares or loan capital for the purposes of section 99(3) FA 1986 which are not Exempt Loan Capital and which are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom; or (ii) shares which are paired with shares issued by a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom. SDRT would be payable at a rate of 0.5 per cent. of the consideration given under an agreement to transfer such Securities, unless the transfer is to a depository for a Clearance Service or to a person issuing depository receipts (or to an agent or nominee of such a person) where SDRT may be payable at a rate of 1.5 per cent.

Stamp duty and SDRT on the redemption of the Securities

Stamp duty and SDRT may be payable on the transfer of an asset on physical settlement of the Securities.

5. LUXEMBOURG

The following summary is of a general nature and is included herein solely for information purposes. It is based on the laws presently in force in Luxembourg, though it is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice. Prospective investors in the Securities should therefore consult their own professional advisers as to the effects of state, local or foreign laws, including Luxembourg tax law, to which they may be subject.

TAXATION OF THE HOLDERS OF SECURITIES

Withholding Tax

(i) Non-resident holders of Securities

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the laws of 21 June 2005 (the “**Laws**”) mentioned below, there is no withholding tax on payments of principal, premium or interest made to non-resident holders of Securities, nor on accrued but unpaid interest in respect of the Securities, nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of the Securities held by non-resident holders of Securities.

Under the Laws implementing the Council Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments and ratifying the treaties entered into by Luxembourg and certain dependent and associated territories of EU Member States (the “**Territories**”), payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the immediate benefit of an individual beneficial owner or a residual entity, as defined by the Laws, which is resident of, or established in, an EU Member State (other than Luxembourg) or one of the Territories will be subject to a withholding tax unless the relevant recipient has adequately instructed the relevant paying agent to provide details of the relevant payments of interest or similar income to the fiscal authorities of his/her/its country of residence or establishment, or, in the case of an individual beneficial owner, has provided a tax certificate issued by the fiscal authorities of his/her country of residence in the required format to the relevant paying agent. Where withholding tax is applied, it is currently levied at a rate of 20per cent and will be levied at a rate of 35per cent as of 1 July 2011. Responsibility for the withholding of the tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent. Payments of interest under the Securities coming within the scope of the Laws would at present be subject to withholding tax of 20per cent.

(ii) Resident holders of Securities

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the law of 23 December 2005 as amended (the “**Law**”) mentioned below, there is no withholding tax on payments of principal, premium or interest made to Luxembourg resident holders of Securities, nor on accrued but unpaid interest in respect of Securities, nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of Securities held by Luxembourg resident holders of Securities.

Under the Law payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the benefit of an individual beneficial owner who is resident of Luxembourg will be subject to a withholding tax of 10 per cent. Such withholding tax will be in full discharge of income tax if the beneficial owner is an individual acting in the course of the management of his/her private wealth. Responsibility for the withholding of the tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg paying agent. Payments of interest under the Securities coming within the scope of the Law would be subject to withholding tax of 10 per cent.

7. Switzerland

The following is a general summary of the Issuer's understanding of certain Swiss tax consequences in relation to dealings in the Securities according to the currently valid Swiss tax laws and the Swiss tax authorities' practice as of the date of publication of the LaunchPAD programme. This outline is a summary and not exhaustive and does not take into consideration possible special circumstances of some investors. Tax laws and the tax authorities' practice may undergo changes (or their interpretation or application may change) and their validity might also be retroactive.

Potential investors should consult their own tax advisors, legal advisers or financial consultants regarding their personal tax situation when entering into transactions with reference to the Securities.

(a) **General Information.** The Swiss tax treatment of notes, bonds and other financial instruments are primarily regulated pursuant to the conditions set forth in the Circular Letter no. 15 of the Federal Tax Administration regarding the treatment of Bonds and Derivatives Financial Instruments for the purpose of the Federal Income Tax, Federal Withholding Tax and Federal Stamp Duties, as published on 7 February 2007. These rules are usually also applied by the Cantonal and Communal tax authorities. It should be noted that the Swiss tax terms "notes" and "bonds" are not consistent with the corresponding terms stipulated by Swiss security laws and the international or foreign understanding of such terms.

(b) **Swiss Stamp Taxes.** The issuance of Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer is in general not subject to the Swiss Issue Stamp Tax ("Emissionsabgabe"). Secondary market transactions of Securities which are considered as (debt) financing instruments, share-like products, fund-like products and Low Exercise Price Options (LEPO) on shares with maturity more than one year and the issuance of fund-like Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer are subject to the Swiss Securities Transfer Tax, provided that a Swiss securities dealer ("Effekthändler"), as defined in art. 13 para. 3 of the Swiss Federal Act on Stamp Duties ("Stempelabgabengesetz"), is a party to the Securities transaction or acts as an intermediary thereto. Certain exemptions may, inter alia, apply with regard to institutional investors such as mutual funds, life insurance companies and social security institutions. Pure derivatives for Swiss tax purposes like options and futures do normally not classify as taxable securities and are therefore not subject to Swiss Issue Stamp Tax and Swiss Securities Transfer Tax. If upon the exercise or redemption of a Security an underlying

security is delivered to the holder of the Security, the transfer of the underlying security may be subject to Swiss Securities Transfer Tax.

(c) **Swiss Withholding Tax.** Securities issued by a foreign resident issuer are in general not subject to Swiss withholding tax. Payments or credit of (deemed) interest or dividends on a Security issued by a Swiss resident issuer may be subject to Swiss federal withholding tax at a rate of 35 %. This may apply likewise to payments or credits of yield from Securities which classify for tax purposes as fund-like products. The holder of a Security who is resident in Switzerland may be entitled to a full refund of or a full tax credit for the Swiss federal withholding tax, subject to conditions being met. A non Swiss resident holder of a Security may be able to claim a full or partial refund of the Swiss federal withholding tax if such a holder is entitled to claim benefits with regard to such a payment of a double taxation treaty between Switzerland and his or her country of residence.

(d) **Swiss Income Tax Treatment for Securities Held by Private Investors (Individuals) with Tax Residence in Switzerland as Part of their Private Assets.** Payments or credits received by a holder of a Security, which are considered in a Swiss tax perspective as dividends or interests, are subject to income tax. Gains or losses realised upon a sale or other disposition by individuals with tax residence in Switzerland holding a Security as part of their private assets (private capital gain or losses) are in general not subject to Swiss Income Tax and are not deductible from taxable income respectively. However, capital gains may be subject to income taxation, if a Security qualifies as predominant one-time interest paying bond. Also gains or losses realised by buying or selling of pure derivatives for Swiss tax purposes (options and futures) are not subject to income tax as they are considered as tax-exempt capital gains or losses. Whether a Security generates taxable income (dividend and interest) or tax-exempt capital gains is depending on certain features of the Security (1-delta pay-off, reverse convertible, guaranteed coupon payments or capital protection etc.), on the underlying of the Security and on the maturity of the Security. Some Securities may be divided into taxable bonds and a tax-exempt option (or combinations of options) provided that the Security is, for Swiss tax purposes, made transparent by the issuer. A Security is considered transparent if the value on issuance of its bond and its option components can be determined separately. Under the condition of transparency, the option premium paid by the issuer is exempt from income taxation (where otherwise applicable); taxation is limited to the interest of the bond part which would have been paid for an investment in a comparable straight bond of the same issuer with a similar term and the same currency at market conditions. If the interest part of the Security is paid as a one-time compensation, the so-called “modifizierte Differenzbesteuerung” may apply in each case of pre-maturity sale or redemption of the Security. If a Security is not made transparent for Swiss tax purposes (only if the security needs to be transparent for Swiss tax purposes) the total payment to the investor (except the repayment of the invested capital) could be considered as taxable income.

- (e) Swiss Income Tax Treatment for Securities Held by Swiss Resident Entities or Individuals as Part of Business Assets. Income of any kind realised from Securities as part of business assets of individuals (including deemed securities dealers for Swiss tax purposes) or entities in Switzerland are subject to personal income tax or corporate income tax respectively as part of their overall net income.
- (f) Wealth Taxation of Securities Held by Private Investors (Individuals) with Tax Residence in Switzerland. The market value of the Securities may be subject to wealth tax levied on overall net wealth of individuals with tax residence in Switzerland, regardless of whether the Securities are held as part of their private or business assets.
- (g) EU Savings Tax. On 26 October 2004, the European Community and Switzerland entered into an agreement on the taxation of savings income pursuant to which Switzerland adopts measures equivalent to those of the European Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on the taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments. The agreement came into force as of 1 July 2005. On the basis of this agreement, Switzerland introduced a withholding tax on interest payments and other similar income paid by a paying agent within Switzerland to an individual resident in an EU member state. The withholding tax is withheld at a rate of 15 % for the first three years beginning with 1 July 2005, 20 % for the next three years and 35 % thereafter, with the option of such an individual to have the paying agent and Switzerland provide to the tax authorities of the Member State details of the payments in lieu of the withholding. The beneficial owner of the interest payments may be entitled to a tax credit or refund of the withholding, if any, provided that that certain conditions are met. Securities issued under this programme may be subject to EU Savings Tax. The qualification regarding “in scope” or “out of scope” of the EU Savings Tax is depending on certain features of the Security and on the underlying of the Security.

SELLING RESTRICTIONS

The statements which follow are of a general nature. Potential purchasers in each jurisdiction must ensure that they are able validly to take delivery of the Securities and any assets into which they may convert or be settled. Additional certifications may be required by the Issuer and/or any clearance system at the time of exercise and/or settlement.

1. GENERAL

No action has been or will be taken by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuer.

2. PUBLIC OFFER SELLING RESTRICTION UNDER THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a “**Relevant Member State**”), the Issuer represents and agrees that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the “**Relevant Implementation Date**”) it has not made and will not make an offer of Securities which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Base Prospectus as completed by the final terms in relation thereto to the public in that Relevant Member State except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of Securities to the public in that Relevant Member State:

- (a) if the final terms in relation to the Securities specify that an offer of those Securities may be made other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State (a “**Non-exempt Offer**”), following the date of publication of a prospectus in relation to such Securities which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State provided that any such prospectus has subsequently been completed by the final terms contemplating such Non-exempt Offer, in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, in the period beginning and ending on the dates specified in such prospectus or final terms, as applicable;
- (b) at any time to legal entities which are authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorised or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;

- (c) at any time to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than €43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts;
- (d) at any time to fewer than 100 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive); or
- (e) at any time in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive, provided that no such offer of Securities referred to in (b) to (e) above shall require the Issuer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “**offer of Securities to the public**” in relation to any Securities in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Securities, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression “**Prospectus Directive**” means Directive 2003/71/EC and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

3. THE NETHERLANDS

Securities which qualify as savings certificates as defined in the Savings Certificates Act (“*Wet inzake spaarbewijzen*”) may only be transferred or accepted through the mediation of either the Issuer or an admitted institution of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. with due observance of the Savings Certificates Act and its implementing regulations (including registration requirements), provided that no mediation is required in respect of:

- (a) the initial issue of those Securities to the first holders thereof;
- (b) any transfer and delivery by individuals who do not act in the conduct of a profession or trade; and
- (c) the issue and trading of those Securities, if they are physically issued outside The Netherlands and are not distributed in The Netherlands in the course of primary trading or immediately thereafter.

4. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No Securities of any Series have been, or will be, registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), and trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “**CFTC**”) under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (the “**CEA**”). No Securities of any Series, or interests

therein, may at any time be offered, sold, resold or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person.

Offers, sales, resales or deliveries of Securities of any Series, or interests therein, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons would constitute a violation of United States securities laws unless made in compliance with the registration requirements of the Securities Act or pursuant to an exemption therefrom. In addition, in the absence of relief from the CFTC, offers, sales, resales, trades or deliveries of Securities, or interests therein, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons, may constitute a violation of United States law governing commodities trading.

Securities having a maturity of more than one year will be issued in compliance with U.S. Treas. Reg. Section 1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(D) (the “**D Rules**”) and, in accordance with the D Rules, may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or its possessions or to a United States person, except in certain transactions permitted by U.S. Treasury regulations. Securities in dematerialised form having a maturity of more than one year will be issued in compliance with U.S. Treas. Reg. Section 1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(C) (the “**C Rules**”) and, in accordance with the C Rules, may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or its possessions, except in certain transactions permitted by U.S. Treasury regulations. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder.

The Issuer will require each dealer participating in the distribution of Securities subject to the D Rules:

- (a) except to the extent permitted under the D Rules, (i) to represent that it has not offered or sold, and agrees that during the restricted period it will not offer or sell, such Securities to a person who is within the United States or its possessions or to a United States person, and (ii) to represent that it has not delivered and agrees that it will not deliver within the United States or its possessions definitive Securities that are sold during the restricted period;
- (b) to represent that it has and agrees that throughout the restricted period it will have in effect procedures reasonably designed to ensure that its employees or agents who are directly engaged in selling Securities subject to the D Rules are aware that such Securities may not be offered or sold during the restricted period to a person who is within the United States or its possessions or to a United States person, except as permitted by the D Rules;
- (c) if it is a United States person, each dealer represents that it is acquiring Securities for purposes of resale in connection with their original issuance and if it retains Securities for its

own account, it will only do so in accordance with the requirements of U.S. Treas. Reg. Section 1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(D)(6);

- (d) with respect to each affiliate that acquires Securities from a dealer for the purpose of offering or selling such Securities during the restricted period, to repeat and confirm the representations and agreements contained in subclauses (a), (b) and (c) of this paragraph on such affiliate's behalf; and
- (e) to agree that it will obtain from any distributor (within the meaning of U.S. Treas. Reg. Section 1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(D)(4)(ii)) that purchases any Securities subject to the D Rules from it pursuant to a written contract with such dealer (except a distributor that is one of its affiliates or is another dealer), for the benefit of the Issuer and each other dealer, the representations contained in, and such distributor's agreement to comply with, the provisions of subclauses (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this paragraph insofar as they relate to the D Rules, as if such distributor were a dealer hereunder.

The terms used in the preceding sentence have the meanings given to them by the Code and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder, including the D Rules.

The Issuer will require each dealer participating in the distribution of Securities subject to the C Rules to agree that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver, directly or indirectly, such Securities in the United States or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States. Further, the Issuer and each dealer to which it sells such Securities will represent and agree that in connection with the original issuance of such Securities that it has not communicated, and will not communicate, directly or indirectly, with a prospective purchaser if such purchaser is within the United States and will not otherwise involve its U.S. office in the offer or sale of such Securities. The terms used in the preceding sentence have the meanings given to them by the Code and the U.S. Treasury regulations thereunder, including the C Rules.

As used herein, “**United States**” means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia), its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction; and “**U.S. person**” means (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (iii) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (iv) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (v) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (ii) above; (vi) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (i) to (v) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by

such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the CFTC's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (vii) any other "U.S. Person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act or in regulations adopted under the CEA.

Notice to Purchasers and Holders of Restricted Securities and Transfer Restrictions

Each purchaser of Securities will, by its purchase of such Securities, be deemed to acknowledge, represent and agree as follows:

- (a) that trading in the Securities has not been and will not be approved by the CFTC under the CEA;
- (b) that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver, directly or indirectly, any Securities of such Series so purchased in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (c) that it is not purchasing any Securities of such Series for the account or benefit of any U.S. person;
- (d) that it will not make offers, sales, resales or deliveries of any Securities of such Series (otherwise acquired), directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (e) that it will send each person who purchases any Securities of such issue from it a written confirmation (which shall include the definitions of "**United States**" and "**U.S. person**" set forth herein) stating that the Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, that trading in the Securities has not been approved by the CFTC under the CEA and stating that such purchaser agrees that it will not at any time offer, sell, resell or deliver any of such Securities, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person;
- (f) that no U.S. person or person in the United States may at any time trade or maintain a position in the instruments and that a person entitled to receive an interim payment or exercising (or entitled to receive any amount at maturity or exercise under) the instrument will be required to certify that neither it nor the beneficial owner of the instrument is a U.S. person or is located in the United States;
- (g) that any person exercising a Security will be required to represent that it is not a U.S. person; and
- (h) if it is outside the United States and is not a U.S. person, that if it should resell or otherwise transfer the Securities prior to 40 days after the closing of the offer of the relevant Securities,

it will do so only (a) outside the United States in compliance with Rule 903 or 904 under the Securities Act and (b) in accordance with all applicable United States state securities laws; and it acknowledges that the Global Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless otherwise agreed to by the Issuer:

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”) AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

5. UNITED KINGDOM

The Issuer represents, warrants and agrees that it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the “FSMA”)) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Securities in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA would not, if the Issuer was not an authorised person, apply to the Issuer and it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to any Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

6. INDIA

Any purchase of the Securities relating to or linked to securities listed on a stock exchange in India or indices that reference such securities should be made on the understanding that the purchaser shall be deemed to acknowledge, represent, warrant and undertake to the Group that:

- (a) it consents to the provision by the Group to any Indian governmental or regulatory authority of any information regarding it and its dealings in the Securities as required under applicable Indian regulations and/or as requested by any Indian governmental or regulatory authority;
- (b) it agrees to promptly provide to the Group, or directly to the relevant Indian governmental or regulatory authority (and confirm to the Group when it has done so), such additional information that the Group deems necessary or appropriate in order for the Group to comply with any such regulations and/or requests;

- (c) the Securities are not being purchased for the account of or pursuant to or in connection with any back-to-back transaction with: (i) a Person Resident in India as the term is used in the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999; or (ii) a “Non-Resident Indian”, a “Person of Indian Origin” or an “Overseas Corporate Body”, as such terms are used in the Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) Regulations 2000 as notified by the Reserve Bank of India; or (iii) any entity or person that is not regulated (as such term is used in the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Institutional Investors Amendment) Regulations, 2004) (each, a “**Restricted Entity**”) or a nominee of a Restricted Entity;
- (d) it is not a Restricted Entity or a nominee of a Restricted Entity;
- (e) it will not, directly or indirectly, sell, transfer, assign, novate or otherwise dispose of the Securities to or for the account of any Restricted Entity or to any nominee of any Restricted Entity; and
- (f) any sale, transfer, assignment, novation or other disposal of the Securities by it, whether direct or indirect, will be subject to the acquiring entity giving substantially the same representations and warranties to it as set out in sub-paragraphs (c) to (f) (inclusive).

The Securities have not been approved by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, Reserve Bank of India or any other regulatory authority of India, nor have the foregoing authorities approved this Base Prospectus or confirmed the accuracy or determined the adequacy of the information contained in this Base Prospectus. This Base Prospectus has not been and will not be registered as a prospectus or a statement in lieu of prospectus with the Registrar of Companies in India.

Prospective investors must seek legal advice as to whether they are entitled to subscribe to the Securities and must comply with all relevant Indian laws in this respect. Each investor is deemed to have acknowledged and agreed that it is eligible to invest in the Securities under applicable laws and regulations and that it is not prohibited under any law or regulation in India from acquiring, owning or selling the Securities.

7. HONG KONG

The Securities may not be offered or sold in Hong Kong, by means of any document, other than (i) to persons whose ordinary business is to buy and sell shares and debentures (whether as principal or agent); or (ii) to “professional investors” within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder (the “**SFO**”); or (iii) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a “prospectus” within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong) or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of that Ordinance. Unless permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong, no Holder may issue or have in its possession for the purpose of issue any advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Securities whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere,

which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong other than with respect to the Securities intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong, or only to “professional investors” within the meaning of the SFO.

8. SINGAPORE

This Base Prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore under the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the “SFA”). Accordingly, this Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Securities may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the Securities be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to any person in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor specified in Section 274 of the SFA; (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA; or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Each of the following relevant persons specified in Section 275 of the SFA which has subscribed or purchased Securities, namely a person who is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an accredited investor,

should note that shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries’ rights and interest in that trust shall not be transferable for 6 months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Securities under Section 275 of the SFA except:

- (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA or to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A) of the SFA, and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA;
- (ii) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (iii) by operation of law; or
- (iv) pursuant to Section 276(7) of the SFA.

9. TAIWAN

The Securities may not be sold, offered or issued in Taiwan unless they are made available for purchase through the non discretionary trust services of licensed Taiwan banks or the brokerage

services of licensed Taiwan brokers acting as trustees or agents, as applicable, of their customers and not as agent of the Issuer or any other party.

10. SWITZERLAND

Securities issued under this Programme which are not listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. do not qualify for public distribution in or from Switzerland according to Article 5 of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes. Accordingly, such Securities may not be publicly distributed in or from Switzerland and neither this Programme, any Final Terms nor any marketing material relating to the Securities may be distributed in connection with such distribution, unless a special simplified prospectus is prepared setting forth any and all information which may be required to be disclosed in a simplified prospectus pursuant to Art. 5 of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes and any implementing ordinance or other applicable act or regulation or self-regulation in the Final Terms or a separate document (the "**Simplified Prospectus**"). Any Term Sheet prepared shall be subject to the Final Terms and the Simplified Prospectus, if any, for the relevant Securities. If no Simplified Prospectus is prepared, the Securities may only be offered and the Programme, any Final Terms or any marketing material may only be distributed in or from Switzerland to qualified investors according to the applicable provisions of the Collective Investment Scheme Act ("**CISA**") in such a way that there is no public marketing or offering in or from Switzerland as defined pursuant to the most restrictive interpretation of the applicable Swiss laws and regulations.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Authorisation

The Issuer's managing board, in its capacity as the Issuer's representative, is responsible for issuing debt instruments. The Issuer's managing board has delegated the issue of debt instruments, including the Securities, to the Group Asset and Liability Committee pursuant to a resolution dated 1 April 2010. In addition, the issue of Securities has been approved by the Issuer's supervisory board pursuant to a resolution dated 1 April 2010 and in accordance with the Issuer's articles of association. All consents, approvals, authorisations or other orders of all regulatory authorities required by the Issuer under the laws of The Netherlands have been given for the issue of the Securities.

Listing

Application will be made to NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market for Securities issued up to the expiry of 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus to be admitted to trading and to be listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange or market. Certain Securities issued under this Base Prospectus may not be listed. For so long as the Securities are listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext and NYSE Euronext requires so there will be a paying agent in The Netherlands. ABN AMRO Bank N.V. MF 2020 Kemelstede 2, P.O. Box 3200, 4800 DE Breda, The Netherlands, has been appointed as the initial paying agent in The Netherlands.

Documents available

During the validity of this Base Prospectus, copies of the following documents will, when published, be available, free of charge, from the registered office of the Issuer and from the specified office of the Agent:

- (a) the most recent Articles of Association of the Issuer;
- (b) the consolidated audited financial statements of Holding in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2009 together with the audit reports thereon;
- (c) all future consolidated financial statements of the Issuer;
- (d) a copy of the Registration Document;
- (e) all documents incorporated herein by reference;
- (f) a copy of this Base Prospectus; and
- (g) the applicable Final Terms.

The Registration Document, copies of all documents incorporated by reference and other documents as mentioned above, are accessible at <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive> and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group Investor Relations, 280 Bishopsgate,

London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 207 672 1758, email investor.relations@rbs.com or at the registered office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom.

Clearing and settlement systems

The Securities have been accepted for clearance through Clearstream Banking AG (“**Clearstream AG**”), Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (“**Euroclear Netherlands**”), Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V. (“**Euroclear Luxembourg**”), Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme* (“**Clearstream, Luxembourg**”) and SIX SIS Ltd (“**SIX SIS**”). The appropriate WKN, Common Code, International Securities Identification Number and Valoren for each Series allocated by Clearstream AG, Euroclear Netherlands, Euroclear, Luxembourg, Clearstream, Luxembourg and SIX SIS Ltd, and any other relevant security code allocated by any other relevant clearing system, will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. If the Securities are to clear through an additional or alternative clearing system the appropriate additional or alternative information will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. Transactions will normally be effected for settlement not earlier than three days after the date of the transaction.

Information on the Offering of the Securities

(a) Offer Process

For a short period prior to the Launch Date specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Securities of the relevant Series may be offered by the Issuer for subscription to prospective investors but the Issuer reserves the right to close subscription early. The Issuer anticipates that it will deliver the Final Terms in respect of each Series of the Securities which are to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange prior to the commencement of the Subscription Period specified in the Final Terms or prior to the Launch Date specified in the Final Terms if there is no Subscription Period. On or about the Launch Date, the Issuer will, pursuant to its agreement with NYSE Euronext or any other stock exchange, as the case may be, offer to buy or sell the Securities of any Series to be admitted to trading and listed on Euronext Amsterdam or any other stock exchange (as applicable). Any such trading, if any, will be on an as, if and when issued basis until the Issue Date specified in the applicable Final Terms. Except in the case of dematerialised Securities, the Securities will be issued in global form and all trades will be settled in the applicable clearing systems on their usual basis for secondary market transactions. Other than the issue price of the Securities of the relevant Series, each prospective investor shall not be required to pay any expenses to the Issuer in order to subscribe for the relevant Securities.

Securities may be listed or admitted to trading, as the case may be, on such or further stock exchanges or markets as the Issuer may decide. The Issuer may also issue unlisted Securities and/or Securities not admitted to trading on any market.

(b) Description of the Application and Payment Process for a Prospective Purchaser

Applications for Securities may be made by a prospective purchaser through any broker, financial adviser, banker, financial intermediary or other agent acting in such a capacity (each a “**Selling Agent**”) which has a

relationship with the Issuer governing the sale of the Securities. Pursuant to anti-money laundering regulations, prospective purchasers who are not an existing client of a Selling Agent may be required by their Selling Agent of choice to complete an anti-money laundering form and to provide further evidence of identification in advance of applying for any Securities.

Each prospective purchaser should ascertain from its Selling Agent of choice when that Selling Agent will require receipt of cleared funds from its clients in respect of applications for Securities and the manner in which payment should be made to the Selling Agent. Each Selling Agent may impose different arrangements relating to the purchase of Securities and prospective investors should contact the Selling Agents directly for information concerning such arrangements. Applicants for Securities who arrange to purchase the Securities through a Selling Agent should note that in doing so they are assuming the credit risk of the relevant Selling Agent and that such arrangements will be subject to the applicable conditions of the relevant Selling Agent.

(c) Conditions to Which the Offer is Subject

The offer, in respect of a particular Series of Securities is subject to the Conditions as set out in this Base Prospectus the relevant Final Terms and any document incorporated by reference (see “**Documents Incorporated by Reference**”).

(d) Minimum/Maximum Application Amount

Investors are required to subscribe for a minimum of one (1) Security and thereafter in multiples of one (1) Security unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the relevant Series of the Securities. There is no maximum subscription amount unless otherwise stated in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the relevant Series of the Securities.

(e) Scale-back and Cancellation

The Issuer reserves the right, prior to the Issue Date, in its absolute discretion to:

1. decline in whole or in part an application for Securities such that a prospective purchaser for Securities may, in certain circumstances, not be issued the number of (or any) Securities for which it has applied (“**Scale-back**”); or
2. withdraw, cancel or modify the offer of the Securities (“**Cancellation**”).

The Issuer may Scale-back or Cancel the Securities without notice and will notify prospective investors of such Scale-back or Cancellation after such Scale-back or Cancellation has occurred. In the event that the Securities are not issued, no subscription monies shall be payable by prospective purchasers to the Issuer (either directly or indirectly through a Selling Agent (as defined above)) in respect of the Securities. Prospective purchasers should contact their Selling Agent of choice for details of the arrangements for the return of application monies in such circumstances. The Issuer shall have no responsibility for, or liability arising out of, the relationship between prospective purchasers and their respective Selling Agents and

clearing system operators, including, without limitation, in respect of arrangements concerning the return of monies by such persons to their clients.

(f) Details of the Manner in Which the Results of the Initial Offer are to be Made Public

A prospective investor submitting an offer to purchase Securities will be notified of the acceptance or otherwise of such application on or prior to the Issue Date.

(g) Categories of Investors to which Securities are Offered

The Securities will be offered to both retail and qualified investors.

(h) Expenses and Taxes

Any expenses are described in the relevant Product Conditions and Final Terms for the relevant Series and will be deducted accordingly. For further information on the taxes, please refer to the section titled “**Taxation**”.

(j) Post-issuance information

The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information.

(k) Description of the Securities

The notes are investment instruments which may or may not bear interest and which, at maturity or earlier termination, either pay a cash amount which may or may not be equal to the nominal amount of the relevant note, less certain expenses (the “**Cash Amount**”) or, in the case of exchangeable notes, permit the Holder thereof to exchange his note for, depending on the terms of the relevant note, a defined amount of the Underlying or an amount in cash calculated by reference to the value of the Underlying (the “**Conversion Amount**”). The amount of interest to be paid and/or the Cash Amount and/or the Conversion Amount may or may not be dependent upon the performance of an underlying reference rate, stock, index and its constituent elements or basket, in all cases, as provided in the terms of the relevant note. As such, each note will entail particular risks. Notes which are not capital protected may result in the Holder losing some or, in certain limited cases, all of his initial investment. Notes where the interest amount paid is dependent upon the performance of the Underlying may result in the Holder receiving no or only a limited periodic return on his investment.

The price at which a Holder will be able to sell notes prior to their redemption may be at a potentially substantial discount to the market value of the notes at the issue date depending upon the performance of the Underlying at the time of sale.

The types of note that may be issued under this Base Prospectus are described below.

Range accrual notes are interest bearing cash settled securities. Range accrual notes are redeemed at a percentage of their nominal amount. The amount of interest paid on a range accrual note depends on the performance of one or more underlying reference rates, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Typically,

interest will accrue for each relevant day in an interest period on which the Underlying performs in the manner specified in the Final Terms but will not accrue in respect of other days. Interest on a range accrual note may also be paid at a pre-determined specified rate for certain interest periods specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Ladder notes are interest bearing cash settled securities which may be called by the Issuer on specified dates. Ladder notes are redeemed at a percentage of their nominal amount. The amount of interest paid on a ladder note depends on the performance of an underlying reference rate, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Typically, interest will be paid in respect of each interest period either at a pre-determined specified rate or at the difference between a pre-determined specified rate and an identified floating rate for the relevant interest period, subject in the latter case to any minimum rate specified for the relevant interest period, all as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Target coupon notes are interest bearing cash settled securities. Target coupon notes are redeemed at a percentage of their nominal amount. The amount of interest paid on a target coupon note depends on the performance of one or more underlying shares, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. Typically, a target interest amount will be set which, if reached prior to maturity, may result in early termination of the securities. In certain cases additional interest amounts may also be paid as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Rate notes are cash settled securities which may or may not bear interest and are redeemed at their nominal amount or a stated percentage thereof. The amount of interest paid on a rate note may depend on the performance of one or more underlying reference rates and/or may be determined by reference to a fixed rate or rates, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Zero coupon notes are cash settled securities which are issued at a percentage of the nominal amount and which do not bear any interest.

Currency exchange notes are cash settled securities which may or may not bear interest and are redeemed at their nominal amount or a stated percentage thereof. The amount of interest paid on a currency exchange note will depend on the performance of one or more underlying currency exchange rates, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Yield discovery notes are capital protected interest bearing cash settled securities. Yield discovery notes are redeemed at their nominal amount. The amount of interest paid on a yield discovery note depends on the performance of an underlying basket of shares, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The maximum rate of interest so determined may be capped at the level specified in the applicable Final Terms. Interest on a yield discovery note may also be paid at a pre-determined specified rate for certain interest periods as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The rate of interest for certain interest periods may be at least the level of the previous year.

Certificate notes are cash settled securities which may or may not be interest bearing or capital protected. The Cash Amount payable at maturity of a certificate note will at least equal its nominal amount (if it is capital protected) plus a return (which may be zero) calculated by reference to the performance of one or more underlying certificates, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Index notes are cash settled securities which may be partially or fully capital protected and may be interest bearing. If applicable, interest may be payable at a rate specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Cash Amount payable at maturity on an index note will at least equal a specified percentage of its nominal amount but may be higher than that amount and may be subject to a capped maximum gain depending on the performance of the Underlying, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Inflation index notes are fixed-income securities that track a consumer price index and offer a real rate of return; that is, they generate monthly interest payments that exceed the prevailing inflation rate by a specified amount.

Callable index notes are non-interest bearing cash settled securities. The Cash Amount payable on the note will depend on the performance of the underlying index specified in the applicable Final Terms. If during the life of the note the Issuer determines that an early redemption event has occurred, the note may be redeemed at an amount determined in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms. If, by the maturity date, an early redemption event has not occurred, the Cash Amount paid in respect of the note will depend upon the performance of the Underlying at maturity and may be less than the nominal amount of the note.

Autocallable Notes are cash settled or physically settled (if specified in the applicable Final Terms) securities which are not capital protected and may be interest bearing. The Cash Amount payable on, and the maturity date of, the note will depend on the performance of the Underlying specified in the applicable Final Terms. If on specified dates during the life of the note the level of the Underlying performs in a specified manner (an “**Early Termination Event**”), the note will be redeemed at its nominal amount plus an additional amount specified in the applicable Final Terms. If, by the maturity date, an Early Termination Event has not occurred, the Cash Amount paid in respect of the note will depend upon the performance of the Underlying at maturity and may be less than the nominal amount of the note.

Share notes are cash settled securities and may be interest bearing. If applicable, interest may be payable on a share note at a rate specified in the applicable Final Terms. The Cash Amount payable at maturity of a share note may be at least equal to a specified percentage of its nominal amount, may be subject to a capped gain and/or may depend on the performance of the Underlying, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Exchangeable notes may be cash settled or physically settled securities and may be interest bearing. If applicable, interest may be payable on an exchangeable note at a rate specified in the applicable Final Terms. The cash amount payable at maturity of a cash settled exchangeable note may be at least equal to a specified percentage of its nominal amount, may be subject to a capped gain and/or may depend on the performance of the Underlying, as specified in the applicable Final Terms. In the case of a physically settled exchangeable

note, the share amount to be delivered will be determined by reference to the performance of the underlying share in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Multi-asset Basket Linked Notes are cash settled securities which may be partially or fully capital protected and may be interest bearing. If applicable, interest may be payable at a rate specified in the applicable Final Terms. The cash amount payable at maturity on a Note will at least equal a specified percentage of its Nominal Amount but may be higher than that amount and may be subject to a capped maximum gain depending on the performance of the Underlying, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Fund linked notes are cash settled securities which may be partially or fully capital protected and may be interest bearing. If applicable, interest may be payable at a rate specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Basket related capital protected notes enable investors to participate in the performance of one or more baskets of different components relating to the relevant Series (including, without limitation and as specified in the applicable Final Terms, an index component, a real estate index component, a commodity component or a bond index component). In addition to capital protection, an investor may, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, receive an additional amount depending on the performance of one or more baskets of different components. If specified in the applicable Final Terms, an Interim Cash Settlement Amount or Interest Amount (each as defined in the applicable Final Terms) will be payable (subject to any applicable conditions being met) on the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Payment Date or each Interest Payment Date, as the case may be.

Commodity notes are cash settled securities which may be partially or fully capital protected and may or may not be interest bearing. The Cash Amount payable at maturity of a commodity note is calculated by reference to the performance of one or more underlying commodities, as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Third Party Information

Where information has been sourced from a third party, the Issuer confirms that this information has been accurately reproduced and that as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

The General Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the Product Conditions and the Final Terms. The Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities or attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these General Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Product Conditions or the applicable Final Terms and, if not so defined, shall be inapplicable. References in these General Conditions to interest and Coupons (and related expressions) shall be ignored in the case of Securities which do not bear interest. References in these General Conditions to the Conditions shall mean these General Conditions and, in relation to any Securities, the Product Conditions applicable to those Securities.

2. STATUS

The Securities constitute unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer save for those preferred by mandatory provisions of law.

3. Early Termination

The Issuer shall have the right to terminate the Securities if it shall have determined in its absolute discretion that its performance thereunder shall have become unlawful in whole or in part as a result of compliance in good faith by the Issuer with any applicable present or future law, rule, regulation, judgement, order or directive of any governmental, administrative, legislative or judicial authority or power (“**Applicable Law**”). In such circumstances the Issuer will, however, if and to the extent permitted by the Applicable Law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination (ignoring such illegality) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holder in accordance with General Condition 4.

4. Notices

(a) Notices to Holders shall be given by the delivery of the relevant notice to the Clearing Agent(s) with an instruction from the Issuer to the Clearing Agent(s) to communicate such

notice to the Holders. The Issuer shall also ensure that notices are duly published, to the extent required, in a manner which complies (i) with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Securities are for the time being listed or in the country in which such Securities have been admitted to trading and (ii) with any relevant legislation. In addition, for Securities listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Issuer shall have the right but (without prejudice to the previous sentence) shall not be obliged to publish notices in electronic form on the internet website of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd (http://www.six-exchangeregulation.com/publications/communiqués/official_notices_en.html) if and so long as the Securities are listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

- (b) Any such notice issued pursuant to General Condition 4(a) by being delivered to the Clearing Agent(s) will be deemed to have been given on the date of the delivery of such notice to the Clearing Agent(s). Any such notice issued pursuant to General Condition 4(a) by being published will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication (for the avoidance of doubt, such notice having been published by any valid means) or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers.

5. HEDGING DISRUPTION

- (a) Notification. The Issuer shall as soon as reasonably practicable give instructions to the Calculation Agent to notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4(a): (i) if it determines that a Hedging Disruption Event has occurred; and (ii) of the consequence of such Hedging Disruption Event as determined by the Issuer pursuant to General Condition 5(c).
- (b) Hedging Disruption Event. A “**Hedging Disruption Event**” shall occur if the Issuer acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, determines that it is or has become not reasonably practicable or it has otherwise become undesirable, for any reason, for the Issuer or any Hedge Provider wholly or partially (i) hold, acquire, to establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of a relevant hedging transaction (a “**Relevant Hedging Transaction**”) or asset it deems necessary, appropriate or desirable to hedge the Issuer’s obligations in respect of the Securities or (ii) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such transaction(s) or asset(s). The reasons for such determination by the Issuer may include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - (i) the Issuer or any Hedge Provider will, whether directly or indirectly, incur a material increase (as compared with circumstances existing on the Issue Date) in the amount of tax, duty, expense (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit or other adverse effect on its tax position) or fee (other than brokerage commissions) provided that any such materially increased

amount that is incurred solely due to the deterioration of the creditworthiness of the Issuer or the Hedge Provider shall not be considered for the purposes of this subparagraph (i); or

- (ii) any material illiquidity in the market for, or any mandatory redemption in whole or in part of, the relevant instruments (the “**Disrupted Instrument**”) which from time to time are included in the reference asset to which the Securities relate; or
- (iii) a change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law) or the promulgation of, or change in, the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority); or
- (iv) a material decline in the creditworthiness of a party with whom the Issuer has entered into any such Relevant Hedging Transaction; or
- (v) the general unavailability of: (A) market participants who will agree to enter into a Relevant Hedging Transaction; or (B) market participants who will so enter into a Relevant Hedging Transaction on commercially reasonable terms.

In the Conditions:

“**Hedge Position**” means any purchase, sale, entry into or maintenance of one or more (i) positions or contracts in reference assets to which the Securities relate, securities, options, futures, derivatives or foreign exchange, (ii) securities lending transactions or (iii) other instruments or arrangements (however described) by the Issuer in order to hedge the Issuer’s risk of issuing, and performing its obligations with respect to, the Securities; and

“**Hedge Provider**” includes but is not limited to the Issuer, any associate, subsidiary or affiliate thereof and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland plc and/or any other party(ies) and/or any special purpose vehicle(s) holding or entering into a Hedge Position in connection with the Issuer’s hedging arrangements in respect of the Securities.

- (c) Consequences. The Issuer, in the event of a Hedging Disruption Event, may determine to:
 - (i) terminate the Securities. In such circumstances the Issuer will, however, if and to the extent permitted by the Applicable Law, pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by it as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit

spreads and market liquidity, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable), any such amount to be paid under this General Condition shall not be less than the present value of such minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holder in accordance with General Condition 4;

- (ii) make an adjustment in good faith to the relevant reference asset by removing the Disrupted Instrument at its fair market value (which may be zero). Upon any such removal the Issuer may: (A) hold any notional proceeds (if any) arising as a consequence thereof and adjust the terms of payment and/or delivery in respect of the Securities; or (B) notionally reinvest such proceeds in other reference asset(s) if so permitted under the Conditions (including the reference asset(s) to which the Securities relate);
 - (iii) make any other adjustment to the Conditions as it considers appropriate in order to maintain the theoretical value of the Securities after adjusting for the relevant Hedging Disruption Event. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date, any such adjustment will in no way affect the Issuer's obligations to make payment to the Holders not less than the minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons on the relevant Settlement Date or Maturity Date, or Interest Payment Date, as applicable.
- (d) The Issuer may also make adjustments to the Conditions if it determines that an event has occurred which, whilst not a Hedging Disruption Event or other disruption event as specified in Product Condition 4, is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's Hedge Position. Where the Issuer makes adjustments to the Conditions pursuant to this General Condition 5(d), the Issuer shall notify the Holders thereof and shall offer to purchase from Holders for a period of not less than 10 days any Securities held by them at their fair market value (as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner and taking into account the proposed adjustment) less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements.

6. PURCHASES, FURTHER ISSUES BY THE ISSUER AND PRESCRIPTION

- (a) Purchases. The Issuer or any affiliate may purchase Securities at any price in the open market or by tender or private treaty. Any Securities so purchased may be held, surrendered

for cancellation or reissued or resold, and Securities so reissued or resold shall for all purposes be deemed to form part of the original series of Securities.

- (b) Further Issues. The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Holders or any of them to create and issue further securities so as to be consolidated with and form a single series with the Securities.
- (c) Prescription. Any Security or Coupon which is capable of presentation and is not so presented by its due date for presentation shall be void, and its value reduced to zero, if not so presented within five years of such due date. For the avoidance of doubt, any Securities which are subject to provisions relating to their exercise shall be void, and their value shall be zero, if not exercised in accordance with their provisions.

7. DETERMINATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

- (a) Determinations.
 - (i) In making any determinations and calculations under these Conditions, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. All such determinations and calculations by the Issuer and the Calculation Agent shall, in the absence of manifest error, be final and binding.
 - (ii) Whilst it is intended that the Issuer and the Calculation Agent will employ the methodology described in the Conditions to make determinations in respect of the Securities, no assurance can be given that market, regulatory, judicial or fiscal circumstances or, without limitation, any other circumstances will not arise that would necessitate a modification or change in such methodology in order that the Securities replicate as closely as possible investments in the assets underlying the Securities and its components. The Issuer and the Calculation Agent may make any such modification or change to such methodology that it considers necessary to reflect such circumstances.
 - (iii) Calculations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in respect of the Securities shall be made on the days specified herein; however, notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else contained in these Conditions, should the Issuer or the Calculation Agent determine that in order to give effect to the methodology described in these Conditions it is necessary to make calculations on a day or days other than that specified, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to make such calculations on such calendar day or days as it shall determine.
 - (iv) Due to timing considerations, process requirements and other matters that would, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent, be relevant in relation to the implementation of asset allocation models, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent may

need to make appropriate adjustments to the methodology set out in the terms and conditions as it considers necessary in order to reflect the timing and amounts that would be applicable were the Issuer or the Calculation Agent physically implementing the methodology set out in the Securities.

- (b) **Modifications.** The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders or any of them, modify any provision of the Conditions which is: (i) of a formal, minor or technical nature; (ii) made to correct a manifest error; or (iii) in its absolute discretion, not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Holders. Notice of any such modification will be given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 but failure to give, or non-receipt of, such notice will not affect the validity of any such modification.

8. SUBSTITUTION

- (a) **Substitution of Issuer.** The Issuer may at any time without the consent of the Holders substitute for itself as issuer of the Securities with regard to any and all rights, obligations and liabilities under and in connection with the Securities:

(A) The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, registered in Scotland under No. 90312, with its registered office at 36 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YB, (“**RBS Plc**” or the “**Substitute**”) subject to the Issuer having given at least 30 days’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

(B) any entity other than RBS Plc (also, the “**Substitute**”), subject to:

either (x):

- (i) the Issuer having given at least 30 days’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
- (ii) the Issuer or RBS Plc having issued a legal, valid and binding guarantee of the obligations and liabilities of the Substitute under the Securities for the benefit of each and any of the Holders;

or (y):

- (i) the Issuer having given at least three months’ prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
- (ii) each Holder, from (and including) the date of such notice, to (and including) the date of such substitution, being entitled to terminate the Securities held by such Holder without any notice period in which event the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, pay to such Holder with respect to each Security held by such Holder an amount calculated by the Issuer as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such

termination less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangements. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide for a minimum assured return of principal or a minimum assured return of interest or other payments, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable) any such amount to be paid shall not be less than the present value of the minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent. Payment will be made to the Holder in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4,

and in each case subject to all actions, conditions and things required to be taken, fulfilled and done (including the obtaining of any necessary consents) to ensure that the Securities represent legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substitute having been taken, fulfilled and done and being in full force and effect.

In the event of any substitution of the Issuer, any reference in the Conditions to the Issuer shall from such time be construed as a reference to the Substitute.

- (b) Substitution of Office. The Issuer shall have the right upon notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 to change the office through which it is acting and shall specify the date of such change in such notice.

9. TAXATION

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty, withholding or other similar payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Securities. In relation to each Security the relevant Holder shall pay all Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions. All payments or, as the case may be, deliveries in respect of the Securities will be subject in all cases to all applicable fiscal and other laws and regulations (including, where applicable, laws requiring the deduction or withholding for, or on account of, any tax duty or other charge whatsoever). The Holder shall be liable for and/or pay any tax, duty or charge in connection with the ownership of and/or any transfer, payment or delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Holder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable such amount, as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment.

10. REPLACEMENT OF SECURITIES AND COUPONS

If any Security or Coupon is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed it may be replaced at the specified office of the Principal Agent (or such other place of which notice shall have be given to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4) upon payment by the claimant of the expenses incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Securities and Coupons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued. This General Condition will not apply to Securities issued in dematerialised form.

11. Adjustments for European Monetary Union

- (a) Redenomination. The Issuer may, without the consent of any Holder, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 elect that, with effect from the Adjustment Date specified in such notice, certain terms of the Securities shall be redenominated in euro. The election will have effect as follows:
- (i) where the Settlement Currency is the National Currency Unit of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, such Settlement Currency shall be deemed to be an amount of euro converted from the original Settlement Currency into euro at the Established Rate, subject to such provisions (if any) as to rounding as the Issuer may decide and as may be specified in the notice, and after the Adjustment Date, all payments in respect of the Securities will be made solely in euro as though references in the Securities to the Settlement Currency were to euro;
 - (ii) where the Conditions contain a rate of exchange or any of the Conditions are expressed in a National Currency Unit (the “**Original Currency**”) of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, such rate of exchange and/or any other terms of the Conditions shall be deemed to be expressed in or, in the case of a rate of exchange, converted for or, as the case may be into, euro at the Established Rate; and
 - (iii) such other changes shall be made to the Conditions as the Issuer may decide to conform them to conventions then applicable to instruments expressed in euro.
- (b) Adjustment to Conditions. The Issuer may, without the consent of the Holders, on giving notice to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 make such adjustments to the Conditions as the Issuer may determine to be appropriate to account for the effect of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty on the Conditions.
- (c) Euro Conversion Costs. Notwithstanding General Condition 11(a) and/or General Condition 11(b), none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent nor any Agent shall be liable to any Holder

or other person for any commissions, costs, losses or expenses in relation to or resulting from the transfer of euro or any currency conversion or rounding effected in connection therewith.

- (d) Definitions Relating to European Economic and Monetary Union. In this General Condition, the following expressions have the meanings set out below.

“**Adjustment Date**” means a date specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Holders pursuant to this Condition which falls on or after the date on which the country of the Original Currency or, as the case may be, the Settlement Currency first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty;

“**Established Rate**” means the rate for the conversion of the Original Currency or, as the case may be, the Settlement Currency (including compliance with rules relating to rounding in accordance with applicable European community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to Article 123 of the Treaty;

“**National Currency Unit**” means the unit of the currency of a country as those units are defined on the day before the country first participates in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty; and

“**Treaty**” means the treaty establishing the European Community, as amended.

12. AGENTS

- (a) Principal Agent and Agents. The Issuer reserves the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of any Agent and to appoint further or additional Agents, provided that no termination of appointment of the principal agent (the “**Principal Agent**”) shall become effective until a replacement Principal Agent shall have been appointed and provided that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are listed on any stock exchange or publicly offered in any jurisdiction, there shall be an Agent having a specified office in each country required by the rules and regulation of each such stock exchange and each such jurisdiction and provided further that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are in registered form, there shall be a Registrar and a Transfer Agent (which may be the Registrar), if so specified in the relevant Product Conditions. Notice of any appointment, or termination of appointment, or any change in the specified office, of any Agent will be given to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. Each Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders or any of them. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by an Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Holders.

- (b) Calculation Agent. The Issuer a or such other Calculation Agent as specified in the applicable Final Terms, shall undertake the duties of calculation agent (the “**Calculation Agent**” which expression shall include any successor calculation agent or assignee as approved by the Issuer) in respect of the Securities unless the Issuer decides to appoint a successor Calculation Agent in accordance with the provisions below.

The Issuer reserves the right at any time to appoint another institution as the Calculation Agent provided that no termination of appointment of the existing Calculation Agent shall become effective until a replacement Calculation Agent shall have been appointed. Notice of any termination or appointment will be given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

The Calculation Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by the Calculation Agent (whether or not the Issuer) shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Holders.

The Calculation Agent may, with the consent of the Issuer (if it is not the Issuer), delegate any of its obligations and functions to a third party as it deems appropriate.

13. SURRENDER OF UNMATURED COUPONS

Each Security should be presented for redemption, where applicable, together with all unmatured Coupons relating to it. Upon the due date for redemption of any Security, where applicable, all unmatured Coupons relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect thereof. This General Condition will not apply to Securities issued in dematerialised form.

14. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

No rights are conferred on any person under the English Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any Condition. The preceding sentence shall not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

15. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

- (a) The Securities and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Securities, are governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English law.
- (b) The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations (a “**Dispute**”) arising from or in connection with the Securities).

- (c) Subparagraph (b) is for the benefit of the Holders only. As a result, nothing prevents any Holder from taking proceedings relating to a Dispute (“**Proceedings**”) in any other courts with jurisdiction. To the extent allowed by law, Holders may take concurrent Proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.
- (d) The Issuer agrees that the courts of England are the most appropriate and convenient courts to settle any Dispute and, accordingly, that it will not argue to the contrary.

16. METHOD OF PAYMENT

For purposes of any payment on a Security, the Clearing Agents may not be United States persons, as defined for United States Federal income tax purposes, and their respective specified offices may not be located in the United States or any of its possessions. No payment on a Security shall be made by transfer to an account in the United States (including its possessions) or by cheque mailed to an address in the United States (including its possessions).

17. COMMISSIONS, FEES AND REBATES

From time to time, the Issuer may make payments or receive the benefit of payments in relation to the issue of Securities including the following:

- (a) The Issuer may pay to a distributor, sales agent or other intermediary fees or commissions. Such fees or commissions are generally required to be disclosed by distributors, sales agents or intermediaries which, in each case, are EEA investment firms or credit institutions to their clients. Each potential investor in the Securities should satisfy itself as to the amount of any fees or commissions received by intermediaries;
- (b) The Issuer may receive or pay management or other fees from or to third parties. Where such fees are payable, further details of them will be set out in the relevant Final Terms; and
- (c) The Issuer may make payments to or receive the benefit of generic commission, discount and rebate arrangements from Hedge Providers and other transaction counterparties. Such arrangements will be as agreed between the Issuer and the third parties.

The Issuer reserves the right to retain any amounts received without any obligation to pass the benefit of the rebates to investors in the Securities.

18. EVENTS OF DEFAULT

If any one or more of the following events (each an “**Event of Default**”) shall occur and be continuing:

- (a) default is made for more than 30 days in the payment of interest or principal in respect of the Securities; or

- (b) the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under the Securities and such failure has continued for the period of 60 days next following the service on the Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (c) an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding up of the Issuer (excluding a solvent winding up solely for the purposes of a reconstruction, amalgamation, reorganisation, merger or consolidation in connection with which The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc or any of its subsidiaries assumes the obligations of the Issuer as principal debtor in respect of the Securities),

then any Holder may, by written notice to the Issuer at the specified office of the Principal Agent, effective upon the date of receipt thereof by the Principal Agent, declare the Security held by the holder to be forthwith due and payable whereupon the same shall become forthwith due and payable at the Early Redemption Amount (as defined below), together with accrued interest (if any) to the date of repayment, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind.

“Early Redemption Amount” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as the fair market value of the Security immediately prior to such Event of Default. Where the Securities contain provisions which provide a minimum assured return of principal, howsoever expressed, on the Settlement Date or Maturity Date as applicable, or a minimum assured return of interest or coupons having regard to prevailing market rates, credit spreads and market liquidity, howsoever expressed, on a relevant Interest Payment Date (if applicable), any such amount to be paid under this General Condition shall not be less than the present value of such minimum assured return of principal and/or interest or coupons, such present value being determined by the Calculation Agent.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO RANGE ACCRUAL NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business in London;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate per annum specified as such, or

determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Rate 1**” means, subject to Product Condition 4, the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Rate 2**” means, if applicable and subject to Product Condition 4, the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reference Banks**” means the entities specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reference Spread**” means, if applicable, the spread of Rate 1 over Rate 2, to be fixed by the Calculation Agent at the Valuation Time on each day by reference to information published on the Reference Spread Screen Page specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, except that (i) if any day is not a Business Day, the fixing for the immediately preceding Business Day shall be used, (ii) the last fixing of Rate 1 and Rate 2 in each Interest Period will be the fifth Business Day prior to the Interest Payment Date falling at the end of that Interest Period and this fixing will be used for the remaining days of the Interest Period (whether or not they are Business Days) and (iii) if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any day, then the Reference Spread will be fixed by the Calculation Agent in accordance with Product Condition 4 below;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the range accrual notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Target Rate**” means the rate determined by the Calculation Agent on the Pricing Date. The indicative Target Rate (the “**Indicative Target Rate**”) means the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or

delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or

(ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Maturity Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Maturity Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction and is payable on each Interest Payment Date and the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or

omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Account or any Interest Amount.

- (g) **Settlement Risk.** Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means the situation in which Rate 1 and/or Rate 2, if applicable, is not available on the relevant Reference Spread Screen Page, in which case the relevant rate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent, on the basis of quotations for the relevant rate or such other related rate as the Calculation Agent shall in its sole and absolute discretion specify provided by the Reference Banks at the Valuation Time for the relevant Business Day. The Issuer will request each Reference Bank to provide a quotation of the relevant rate. If at least three quotations are provided, the relevant rate will be the arithmetic mean of the quotations, eliminating the highest quotation (or in the event of equality, one of the highest) and the

lowest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest). If it is not possible to obtain quotations of the relevant rate by at least three of the Reference Banks then the Calculation Agent will determine Rate 1 and/or Rate 2 (if applicable) and/or the Reference Spread, if applicable, at its sole and absolute discretion.

- (b) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determination. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO LADDER NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business in London;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect each Interest Period, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“**Issuer Call Commencement Date**” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call Date**” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“**Issuer Call Notice Period**” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maturity Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro,

any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Reference Banks**” means the entities specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reference Rate**” means any Reference Rate specified as such in the definition of Interest Rate of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the ladder notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Target Fixed Rate**” means the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such day is not a Trading Day, the first succeeding Trading Day; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the

Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Maturity Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the

Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (g) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or

by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (i) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

A “**Market Disruption Event**” means the situation in which the Reference Rate is not available on the relevant Screen Page specified in the definition of Interest Rate of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in which case the relevant rate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent, on the basis of the quotations for the Reference Rate or such other related rate as the Calculation Agent shall in its sole and absolute discretion specify provided by the Reference Banks at the Valuation Time on the relevant Valuation Date. The Issuer will request each Reference Bank to provide a quotation of the relevant rate. If at least three quotations are provided, the relevant rate will be the arithmetic mean of the quotations, eliminating the highest quotation (or in the event of equality, one of the highest) and the lowest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest). If it is not possible to obtain quotations of the relevant rate from at least three of the Reference Banks then the Calculation Agent will determine the Reference Rate at its sole and absolute discretion.

- (b) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determination. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the

Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO TARGET COUPON NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Averaging Dates**” means, unless “Averaging Dates” is specified as “Not Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, with respect to any Valuation Date, such Valuation Date and each of the four Scheduled Trading Days immediately following such Valuation Date, provided that, if any of the Averaging Dates is a Disrupted Day in respect of a Share, the Averaging Date for each Share not affected by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall be the scheduled Averaging Date and the Averaging Date for each Share affected by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day (the “**Affected Share**”) shall be the first succeeding Valid Averaging Date in relation to an Affected Share. If the first succeeding Valid Averaging Date in relation to an Affected Share has not occurred (i) as of the Valuation Time on the Relevant Number of Scheduled Trading Days immediately following the originally designated Averaging Date or (ii) as of the Valuation Time on the relevant Cut-Off Date, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the closing price in respect of such Share in its absolute discretion acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner on that day regardless of whether that day is a Valid Averaging Date. If the Exchange fails to publish the closing price in respect of any Shares on any of the Averaging Dates and such day is not a Disrupted Day, the closing price of such Shares on such day shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner;

“**Basket**” means, unless “Basket” is specified as “Not Applicable” in the applicable Final Terms, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Bonus Coupon Amount**” means the amount, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**C_k**” means the Coupon Amount payable in respect of a Coupon Amount Payment Date;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon Amount**” means, subject to the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Coupon Amount Payment Dates**” means, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day;

“**Cumulative Coupon Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Cut-Off Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Disrupted Day**” means any Scheduled Trading Day on which a relevant Exchange or any Related Exchange fails to open for trading during its regular trading session or on which a Market Disruption Event has occurred. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders, in accordance with General Condition 4, of the occurrence of a Disrupted Day on any day that, but for the occurrence of a Disrupted Day, would have been an Averaging Date, a Valuation Date or an Initial Fixing Date (as the case may be). Without limiting the obligation of the Calculation Agent to notify the Holders as set forth in the preceding sentence, the failure by the Calculation Agent to notify the Holders of the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall not affect the validity of the occurrence and effect of such Disrupted Day hereunder;

“**Early Closure**” means the closure on any Exchange Business Day of the Exchange or any Related Exchange(s) prior to its Scheduled Closing Time unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange(s) or Related Exchange(s) at least one hour prior to the earlier of (i) the actual closing time for the

regular trading session on such Exchange(s) or Related Exchange(s) on such Exchange Business Day and (ii) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into the Exchange or Related Exchange system for execution at the Valuation Time on such Exchange Business Day;

“Early Termination Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Early Termination Event” means the event specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to

accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Exchange” means, with respect to each Share, the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in the Share has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to such Share on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system on the original Exchange);

“Exchange Business Day” means any Scheduled Trading Day on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange are open for trading during their respective regular trading sessions, notwithstanding any such Exchange or Related Exchange closing prior to its Scheduled Closing Time;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Fixing Cut-Off Date**” means the date (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Fixing Dates**” means (if applicable) a total of five Initial Fixing Dates, the First Initial Fixing Date being the date (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and, if such day is not a Scheduled Trading Day in respect of all the Shares, then the immediately following Scheduled Trading Day in respect of all the Shares and the remaining Initial Fixing Dates shall be the four consecutive Scheduled Trading Days immediately following the first Initial Fixing Date, provided that if any of such days is a Disrupted Day in respect of a Share the Initial Fixing Date for each Share not affected by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day shall be the scheduled Initial Fixing Date and the Initial Fixing Date for each Share affected by the occurrence of a Disrupted Day (the “**Affected Share**”) shall be the first succeeding Valid Fixing Date in relation to such Affected Share. If the first succeeding Valid Fixing Date in relation to a Share has not occurred (i) as of the Valuation Time on the fifth Scheduled Trading Day immediately following that originally designated Initial Fixing Date or (ii) as of the Valuation Time on the Fixing Cut-Off Date, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the closing price in respect of such Share in its absolute discretion acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner on that day regardless of whether it is not a Valid Fixing Date on that day. For the avoidance of doubt, if the Exchange fails to publish the closing price in respect of any Shares on any Initial Fixing Date and such day is not a Disrupted Day, the closing price of such Shares on such day shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner;

“**Initial Reference Spot**” means, if applicable, regarding the relevant Share, the price specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means the occurrence or existence of any of:

- (A) any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise and whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise (i) relating to the Share on the Exchange or (ii) in options contracts or futures contracts relating to the Share on any relevant Related Exchange;
- (B) any event (other than an Early Closure) that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Calculation Agent) the ability of market participants in general to (i) effect transactions in or obtain market values for the Shares on the Exchange or (ii) to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, options contracts or futures contracts relating to the Share on any relevant Related Exchange;

which, in either of the above cases, the Calculation Agent determines is material and which occurs at any time during the one hour period that ends at the relevant Valuation Time; or

- (C) an Early Closure; or
- (D) any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms; or
- (E) any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Reference Spot**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Related Exchange**” means, in respect of each Share, each exchange or quotation system where trading has a material effect (as determined by the Calculation Agent) on the overall market for futures or options contracts relating to such Share;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Scheduled Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Residual Coupon Amount**” means the amount (if any) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Scheduled Closing Time**” means, in respect of an Exchange or Related Exchange and a Scheduled Trading Day, any scheduled weekday closing time of such Exchange or Related Exchange, without regard to after hours or any other trading outside of the regular trading session hours;

“**Scheduled Fixing Date**” means, if applicable, any original date that, but for the occurrence of an event causing a Disrupted Day, would have been a Fixing Date;

“**Scheduled Trading Day**” means any day on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange are scheduled to be open for trading for their respective trading session hours;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the target coupon notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Share**” means each of the shares specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**S_i**” means the price determined in respect of each Share on the dates specified as S_i Dates in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Share Company**” means, in relation to each Share, the share company specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Target Coupon Level**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valid Fixing Date**” means, if applicable, a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and on which another Initial Fixing Date does not or is not deemed to occur with respect to a Share;

“**Valid Averaging Date**” means, if applicable, a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and on which another Averaging Date in relation to the relevant Valuation Date does not or is not deemed to occur;

“**Valuation Date**” means, subject to the occurrence of an Early Termination Event, the dates set out in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each being a Valuation Date, provided that, if any such date is not a Scheduled Trading Day in respect of all Shares, the Valuation Date shall be the immediately following day which is a Scheduled Trading Day in respect of all Shares; and

“**Valuation Time**” means close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to each Share.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular Nominal Amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the Nominal Amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such Nominal Amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and,

in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer, in respect of each Nominal Amount, at the Cash Amount, subject as provided below, on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (c) Early Termination. If an Early Termination Event has occurred, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer, in respect of each Nominal Amount, at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur, subject as provided below, on the Settlement Date.
- (d) Interest. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, the Holder is entitled to receive the amounts specified, on the dates specified, under Interest Entitlement in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.
- (e) Interest Accrual. Each Security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (f) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (g) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount or any amount specified under Interest Entitlement in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.
- (h) The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.
- (i) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (j) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or

by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (k) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
 - (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless resulting in a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of any such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue, (ii) a distribution, issue or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (A) such Shares, (B) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, (C) share capital or other

securities of another issuer acquired or owned (directly or indirectly) by the Share Company as a result of a spin-off or other similar transaction or (D) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other consideration) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent, (iii) an extraordinary dividend, (iv) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid, (v) a repurchase by the Share Company or any of its subsidiaries of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise, (vi) with respect to the Share Company, an event that results in any shareholder rights being distributed or becoming separated from shares of common stock or other shares of the capital stock of the Share Company pursuant to a shareholder rights plan or arrangement directed against hostile takeovers that provides upon the occurrence of certain events for a distribution of preferred stock, warrants, debt instruments or stock rights at a price below their market value (as determined by the Calculation Agent) provided that any adjustment effected as a result of such an event shall be readjusted upon any redemption of such rights or (vii) any other event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Share.

- (b) Merger Event, Hedging Disruption, Nationalisation, Insolvency, Insolvency Filing or Delisting. If a Merger Event (A) which is a Reverse Merger or (B) under which the consideration for the relevant Shares consists (or, at the option of the holder of such Shares, will consist) solely of New Shares, occurs in relation to a Share Company, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustments to the terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Merger Event (provided that the Issuer may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange) and determine the effective date of that adjustment. If the Calculation Agent determines that, as a result of the application of this provision, the number of different Shares in the Basket is reduced, Share Substitution will apply. Share Substitution shall also apply where a Merger Event other than those as set out in (A) and/or (B) of this Product Condition 4(b) occurs.

If any of Hedging Disruption, Nationalisation, Insolvency, Insolvency Filing or De-listing occurs in relation to a Share Company, Share Substitution shall apply.

“**De-listing**” means the Exchange announces that, pursuant to the rules of the Exchange, the Shares cease (or will cease) to be listed, traded or publicly quoted on the Exchange for any reason (other than a Merger Event or Tender Offer) and are not immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on an exchange or quotation system located in the same country as the

Exchange (or, where the Shares have been listed on an exchange or quotation system within the European Union, in any member state of the European Union).

“**Hedging Disruption**” means the inability of the Issuer to (A) acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of any transaction(s) or asset(s) it deems necessary to hedge the equity price risk of entering into and performing its obligations with respect to any Securities or (B) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such transaction or asset.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution or winding-up of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (A) all the Shares of that Share Company are required to be transferred to a trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (B) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

“**Insolvency Filing**” means (A) a Share Company institutes or has instituted against it by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organisation or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, (B) a Share Company consents to a proceeding seeking a judgement of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors’ rights, (C) a petition is presented for the winding-up or liquidation of a Share Company by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official or (D) a Share Company consents to such a petition, provided that proceedings instituted or petitions presented by creditors and not consented to by such Share Company shall not be deemed to be an Insolvency Filing.

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as is determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**” means any (i) reclassification or change of such Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change to all of the outstanding Shares), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Share Company or its subsidiary with or into another entity in which the

Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such Shares outstanding but results in the holders of the outstanding Shares (other than Shares owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively owning less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding Shares immediately following such event (a “**Reverse Merger**”), in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the final Valuation Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity or instrumentality thereof.

“**New Share**” means ordinary or common shares, whether of the entity or person (other than the Merger Company) involved in the Merger Event or a third party that are, or that as of the Merger Date are promptly scheduled to be, (i) publicly quoted, traded or listed on an exchange or quotation system located in the same country as the Exchange and (ii) not subject to any currency exchange controls, trading restrictions or other trading limitations.

“**Share Substitution**” means on or after the relevant Merger Date or the date of the Nationalisation, Insolvency or Delisting or the date of the Insolvency Filing or Hedging Disruption (as the case may be), the Calculation Agent will adjust the Basket to include a share selected by it in good faith in accordance with the criteria for share selection set out below (the “**Substitute Shares**”) in place of the Shares which are affected by the Merger Event, Nationalisation, Insolvency, Delisting, Insolvency Filing or Hedging Disruption, and the Substitute Shares and their respective issuers will be deemed “**Shares**” and a “**Share Company**”, respectively, and the Calculation Agent will adjust any relevant terms and conditions hereunder accordingly, provided that (for the avoidance of doubt) the Initial Reference Spot of each Substitute Share will be determined in accordance with the formula set out as below:

$$\text{Initial Reference Spot} = A \times (B / C)$$

Where:

“A” is the official closing price of the relevant Substitute Share on the Substitution Date;

“B” is the Initial Reference Spot of the relevant affected Share; and

“C” is the official closing price of the relevant affected Share on the Substitution Date.

In order to be selected as Substitute Shares, the relevant shares shall (if practicable as selected by the Calculation Agent on a best efforts basis) meet all or some of the following criteria:

1. a share which is not already comprised in the Basket;

2. a share which belongs to a similar economic sector as the affected Share; and
3. a share which is of comparable market capitalisation, international standing and exposure as the affected Share.

After selecting each Substitute Share, the Calculation Agent will, as soon as reasonably practicable, notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of the occurrence of the relevant events and the identity of each affected share and the relevant adjustment to the Basket will be deemed to be effective as of the date selected by the Calculation Agent in its absolute discretion acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner and specified in such notice (the “**Substitution Date**”) which may, but need not, be the day upon which the relevant event occurred.

“**Tender Offer**” means a takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person that results in such entity or person purchasing, or otherwise obtaining, by conversion or other means, greater than 10 per cent. and less than 100 per cent. of the outstanding voting shares of a Share Company, as determined by the Calculation Agent, based upon the making of filings with governmental or self-regulatory agencies or such other information as the Calculation Agent deems relevant.

- (c) In the event that any price quoted on the Exchange and which is utilised for any calculation or determination made hereunder is subsequently corrected and quoted or published by the Exchange within two Scheduled Trading Days of the previously published or quoted price, to the extent that the Calculation Agent is aware of the same, the Calculation Agent will take into account such correction when determining the relevant Coupon Amount and, to the extent necessary, the Calculation Agent will adjust the terms and conditions of the Securities to account for such correction.
- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it consider it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt by it of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently

trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO RATE NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of “Cash Amount” for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate per annum specified as such, or

determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Reference Banks” means the entities specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Days” means the number of days, if any, specified as such in the definition of “Underlying Rate” for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Screen Page” means each page, if any, specified as such in the definition of “Underlying Rate” for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to any such page which contains the same information;

“Securities” means each Series of the rate notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Underlying Rate**” means each rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the Screen Page (if any) unless in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred, in which case the Underlying Rate shall be calculated in accordance with Product Condition 4; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and

regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Maturity Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Maturity Date.

- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction and is payable on each Interest Payment Date and the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (g) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (h) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

A “**Market Disruption Event**” means the situation in which an Underlying Rate is not available on the relevant Screen Page, in which case the relevant rate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent on the basis of quotations for the relevant rate, or such other related rate as the Calculation Agent shall in its sole and absolute discretion specify, provided by the Reference Banks at the Valuation Time for the relevant day. The Issuer will request the principal London office of each Reference Bank to provide a quotation of the relevant rate. The relevant rate will be the arithmetic mean of the quotations, eliminating the highest quotation (or in the event of equality, one of the highest) and the lowest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest) if more than three quotations are provided. If it is not possible to obtain quotations of the relevant rate by at least three of the Reference Banks then the Calculation Agent will determine the relevant Underlying Rate at its sole and absolute discretion, which determination may be delayed for up to 180 days following the occurrence of an Emerging Market Disruption Event.

- (b) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination

made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determination. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO ZERO COUPON NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of “Cash Amount” for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Maturity Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the zero coupon notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms; and

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each

Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case

of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) **Redemption on the Maturity Date.** Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Maturity Date.
- (b) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (c) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount.
- (d) **Settlement Risk.** Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (e) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if

applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (f) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determination. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO CURRENCY EXCHANGE NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business in London;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of “Cash Amount” for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the Screen Page (if any) or to such other sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of “Exchange Rate” for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Screen Page**” means each page, if any, specified as such in the definition of “Exchange Rate” for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to any such page which contains the same information;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the currency exchange notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency;

“**Underlying Currency**” means each currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, in the case of an Issuer Call, the date specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3, or if such day is not a Trading Day, the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant Exchange Rate(s) having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported rate(s) for the relevant Exchange Rate(s) and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing

Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and

effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Maturity Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Maturity Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction and is payable on each Interest Payment Date and the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day

Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.

- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (g) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “Market Disruption Event” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. If it becomes impossible to obtain any one or more Exchange Rates on the Valuation Date; or

- (b) Governmental Default. If with respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (c) Inconvertibility/non-transferrability. The occurrence of any event which (i) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in any one or more Exchange Rates through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of an Underlying Currency or (ii) generally makes it impossible to deliver an Underlying Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of that Underlying Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Settlement Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (d) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalization or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of an Underlying Currency; or
- (e) Illiquidity. Any impossibility in obtaining a firm quote for any one or more Exchange Rates or the Settlement Currency for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (f) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of an Underlying Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of that Underlying Currency; or
- (g) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of an Underlying Currency; or

- (h) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of an Underlying Currency; or
- (i) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO YIELD DISCOVERY NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) **Illiquidity.** It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means, with respect to each Share, either the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if none is so specified, the exchange on which the Share has its primary listing;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in relation to each Share, an amount equal to the price of the Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a price determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

Nominal Amount x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction;

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series or, in the event that any Valuation Date is delayed in relation to any of the Shares due to a Market Disruption Event, such later date being not more than four Business Days after the relevant Valuation Date as the Calculation Agent may in its sole and absolute discretion determine;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Reference Price” means, in relation to each Share, an amount equal to the price of a Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the relevant Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a price determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the yield discovery notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Share” means each share specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if none is so specified, each share within the Basket, subject to Product Condition 4, and **“Shares”** shall be construed accordingly;

“Share Company” means, with respect to each Share, the share company specified as such in the definition of Basket for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if none is so specified, the issuer of the Share;

“Standard Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United

Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange and each Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means, in relation to each Share, each of the dates specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Share or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or

delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or

(ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or

omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.

- (g) **Settlement Risk.** Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of

movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (A) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (B) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (aa) such Shares, or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of

dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (E) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (F) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (G) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (i), (ii) or (iii) below:
- (i) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
 - (ii) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment

will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

- (iii) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (A) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of outstanding Shares; (B) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (C) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in

a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (A) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (B) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO CERTIFICATE NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate**” means the Certificate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means, with respect to each Certificate, the exchange specified as such in the definition of “Basket” or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to (i) the level of the Basket at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date calculated as the sum of, for each Certificate, its Weight multiplied by the level of such Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, or (ii) for the relevant Series, if “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the price of the Certificate, in each case quoted on the Exchange at the close of trading on the Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a price determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing price of the Basket or the Certificate, as applicable, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Certificate(s) on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to (i) the level of the Basket at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date calculated as the sum of, for each Certificate, its Weight multiplied by the level of such Certificate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, or (ii) for the relevant Series, if “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the price of the Certificate, in each case quoted on the Exchange at the close of trading on the Pricing Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a price determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the closing price of the Basket or the Certificate, as applicable, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Certificate(s) on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Participation” means the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Certificates are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Business Days” means the number of Business Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the certificate notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” mean each Series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the Maturity Date or if later, the Relevant Number of Business Days following the Valuation Date;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Certificate(s) and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Certificate or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, for each Certificate, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance

with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series

in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.

- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (g) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:
- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Certificates on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Certificates are traded; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Certificates on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
 - (ii) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) **Potential Adjustment Events.** Following a declaration by the issuer of the Certificates of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Certificates and, if so, will:
- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Certificates traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General

Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Certificates.

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“Agent” means the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the **“Swiss Agent”**), each acting through its specified office and, together, the **“Agents”** shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“Basket” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Business Day” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“Cash Amount” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Clearing Agent” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a **“Clearing Agent”** and together the **“Clearing Agents”**);

“Coupon” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) **Illiquidity.** It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system from which each Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) the level of the Basket at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date calculated as the sum of, for each Index, its Weight multiplied by the level of such Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date or (ii) for the relevant Series, if “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, all as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Basket or the Index, as applicable, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means each index specified as such in the definition of Basket in the applicable Final Terms or, if for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable” the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (i) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (ii) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so required;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the index notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the Maturity Date or if later, the third Business Day following the Valuation Date;

“Standard Currency” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the relevant Index according to its rules;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or if such day is not a Trading Day, the next succeeding Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the relevant Index or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, for each Index, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or

delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or

(ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or

omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.

- (g) **Settlement Risk.** Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or

limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or

- (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.
- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.
- (1) If any Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the relevant Index, then (in either case) the relevant Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (2) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating any Index or in any other way materially modifies an Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish any Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the relevant Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the relevant Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the relevant Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using

only those securities that comprised the relevant Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (3) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the relevant Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the relevant Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of (i) the Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; and (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.
- (4) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously

made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INFLATION INDEX NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Fixed Spread**” means the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Inflation Index**” means the inflation index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Inflation Index Level**” means the non-revised level of the Inflation Index, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Any revision or amendment to the Inflation Index Level after the initial publication thereof shall be disregarded for the purposes of determining the corresponding Interest Rate unless the Inflation Index is re-based as a result of such revision or amendment, in which case the definition shall be subject to such amendments as the Calculation Agent, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, considers appropriate to preserve the economic features of the Securities;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Date** _(N)” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each relevant Interest Payment Date;

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so required;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the inflation index notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms; and

“**Settlement Date**” means the Maturity Date or if later, the third Business Day following the Valuation Date.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depository for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date.

Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (g) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre

of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (i) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means the occurrence or existence during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on any relevant exchanges of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading in relation to the relevant Inflation Index or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchanges or otherwise):
 - (A) on any relevant exchanges(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Inflation Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Inflation Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Inflation Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Inflation Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Inflation Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
 - (B) on any relevant exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Inflation Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels

permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Inflation Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2) or (3) below.
- (1) If any Inflation Index is (A) not calculated and announced in its usual way but is calculated and published in a different way but a in a way acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor inflation index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the relevant Inflation Index, then (in either case) the relevant Inflation Index will be deemed to be the inflation index so calculated and announced by that successor inflation index, as the case may be.
 - (2) If (A) on or prior to the Interest Payment Date there is a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating any Inflation Index or in any other way an Inflation Index is materially modified (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Inflation Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on the Interest Payment Date there is a failure to calculate and/or publish any Inflation Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Inflation Index Level using, in lieu of a published level for the relevant Inflation Index on the Interest Payment Date, the level for the relevant Inflation Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the relevant Inflation Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the relevant Inflation Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be included in the Inflation Index) or, in the case of a material modification of the Inflation Index only, shall deem such modified Inflation Index to be the Inflation Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
 - (3) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that

such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the relevant exchange.

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INFLATION INDEX NOTES II**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index for the Valuation Month, published by the Index Sponsor, as

determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction. Any revision or amendment to the level of the Index after the initial publication thereof shall be disregarded for the purposes of determining the corresponding Interest Rate unless the Index is re-based as a result of such revision or amendment, in which case the level of the Index shall be subject to such amendments as the Calculation Agent, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, considers appropriate to preserve the economic features of the Securities. If, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined (and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing), level of the Index shall be a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index for the relevant Valuation Month having regard to the last published level of the Index and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Index**” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (i) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (ii) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the rate per annum specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so required;

“Relevant Number of Months” means the number of months specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the inflation index notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” mean each Series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the Maturity Date or such other date as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms; and

“Valuation Month” means each month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has

occurred with respect to any month in which case that Valuation Month shall be the first succeeding calendar month for which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Months immediately following the original month which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Month. In that case (a) the last month of the Relevant Number of Months shall be deemed to be the Valuation Month (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the level of the Index having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last published level of the Index and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depository for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.

- (c) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (e) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (f) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (g) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (h) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence

that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “Market Disruption Event” means the Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce the level of the Index.
- (b) **Adjustments to Index.** The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2) or (3) below.
 - (1) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced in its usual way but is calculated and published in a different way but in a way acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the relevant Index, then (in either case) the relevant Index will be deemed to be the Index so calculated and announced by that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (2) If (A) on or prior to the Interest Payment Date there is a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or the Index Sponsor, in any other way, materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events) then the Calculation Agent shall (a) determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner or, (b) shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or (c) shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
 - (3) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate

generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the relevant exchange.

- (c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO CALLABLE INDEX NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Barrier Level**” means, if applicable, the level determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means in relation to the final Valuation Date an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Early Redemption Amount**” means in relation to each Early Redemption Date, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Early Redemption Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Early Redemption Date” means each of the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Early Redemption Event” occurs as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or

substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Exchange” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the **“Shares”**) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on a Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged

with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the Index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (i) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (ii) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maturity Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Percentage**” means, if applicable, the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the callable index notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United

Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Valuation Date**” means each of the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or

delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or

(ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at:
- (i) If an Early Redemption Event has not occurred, the Cash Amount; or
 - (ii) If an Early Redemption Event has occurred, the Early Redemption Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Interest. The Securities bear no interest and no payment shall be made on account thereof.
- (c) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (d) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount or the Early Redemption Amount.
- (e) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (f) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or

transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (g) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “Market Disruption Event” means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
 - (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.
- (1) If the Index is: (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “Successor Sponsor”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (2) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
 - (3) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of (i) the Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of

Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; and (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

(4) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

(c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO AUTOCALLABLE INDEX NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Barrier Level**” means the level determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means in relation to the final Valuation Date an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Early Redemption Amount**” means in relation to each Valuation Date other than the final Valuation Date, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the

definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Early Redemption Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Early Redemption Event” occurs, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, when, in relation to any Valuation Date other than the final Valuation Date, the Final Reference Price on such Valuation Date is greater than the Initial Reference Price, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to

accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Exchange” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the **“Shares”**) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on a Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level

of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means the Index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means the corporation or other entity that (i) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (ii) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maturity Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American

Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Percentage**” means, if applicable, the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the autocallable index notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Valuation Date**” means each of the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date

(regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depository for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) **SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent.** If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised

securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at:
 - (i) If an Early Redemption Event has not occurred, the Cash Amount; or
 - (ii) If an Early Redemption Event has occurred, the Early Redemption Amount,such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the

Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.

- (c) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or after the Valuation Date in respect of which an Early Redemption Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (e) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Interest Amount or the Early Redemption Amount.
- (f) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (g) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if

applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (h) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. A “**Market Disruption Event**” means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
 - (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.
- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.

- (1) If the Index is: (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “Successor Sponsor”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
- (2) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (3) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of (i) the Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends

declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; and (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

(4) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

(c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently

trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO AUTOCALLABLE SHARE BASKET NOTES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Barrier Level**” means the level determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Basket**” means the basket of shares specified as such in the definition of the Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, (i) a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business and (ii) if Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, day on which the Exchange is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means in relation to the final Valuation Date an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Cut-off Date**” means, if Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, seven Business Days prior to the Maturity Date;

“**Delivery Details**” means, if Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, where applicable, account details and/or name and address of any person into whose name evidence of the Share Amount is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing title are to be delivered;

“**Disruption Cash Settlement Price**” means, if Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the fair market value of each Security on such day as shall be selected by the Issuer less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangement, all as determined by the Issuer;

“**Early Redemption Amount**” means in relation to each Valuation Date other than the final Valuation Date, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Early Redemption Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Early Redemption Event**” occurs, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, when, in relation to any Valuation Date other than the final Valuation Date, the Final Reference Price on such Valuation Date is greater than the Initial Reference Price, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral,

repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means, with respect to each Share, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket for the Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, where the Underlying Currency is different to the Settlement Currency, the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Underlying Value at the Valuation Time on a Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent provided that if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such value can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing, Final Reference Price means a value determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the Underlying Value at such time on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Underlying Value at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by the Calculation Agent provided that if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such value can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing, Initial Reference Price means a value determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the Underlying Value at such time on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Least Performing Share” means, if applicable, and the Share that performed the least well compared to the other Shares in the Basket according to the following formula:

$$\text{Final Reference Price} / \text{Initial Reference Price}$$

For the avoidance of doubt, the Least Performing Share may be a Share subject to a De-listing or a Share of a Share Company which is subject to Insolvency or Nationalisation. Where more than one Share is described as the Least Performing Share, the Issuer shall select one such Share as the Least Performing Share in its sole and absolute discretion. Notice to the Holders shall be delivered in accordance with General Condition 4;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange

currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date specified in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Percentage**” means, if applicable, the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means the autocallable share basket notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Disruption Event” means, if Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in the determination of the Issuer, an event beyond the control of the Issuer as a result of which the Issuer cannot make delivery of the Share Amount in accordance with such market method as it decides at the relevant time for delivery of the relevant Share Amount;

“Share” means each of the shares specified as such in the definition of Basket in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4, and **“Shares”** shall be continued accordingly;

“Share Amount” means, if Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in the determination of the Issuer, for each Nominal Amount, a number of Least Performing Shares determined by the Calculation Agent as being the Nominal Amount divided by the Initial Reference Price of the Least Performing Share. If the Share Amount is an amount comprising a fraction of any Least Performing Shares, the Holders will receive a Share Amount comprising of the nearest whole number (rounded down) of Least Performing Shares (taking into account that a Holder’s entire holding may be aggregated at the Issuer’s discretion for the purpose of delivering the relevant Share Amount), and an amount in the Settlement Currency equal to the value of the outstanding undelivered fraction of such Least Performing Share, as calculated by the Calculation Agent on the basis of the Final Reference Price of the Least Performing Share converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date for the purposes of calculating the value of any outstanding undelivered fraction of the Least Performing Share (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine such value having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price for the Least Performing Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant);

“Share Company” means, in relation to each Share, the share company specified as such in the definition of Basket in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Standard Currency” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Value**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the value of the Basket determined in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Valuation Date**” means each of the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Share or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weighting**” means, in relation to each Share, the number specified as such in the definition of Basket in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the

Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at:
 - (i) If an Early Redemption Event has not occurred, the Cash Amount otherwise if Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Share Amount; or
 - (ii) If an Early Redemption Event has occurred, the Early Redemption Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (c) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or after the Valuation Date in respect of which an Early Redemption Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.

- (e) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, Early Redemption Amount, any Interest Amount or the Share Amount, if applicable.

The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.

- (f) Notice. If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are to be redeemed by delivery of the Share Amount then, in order to obtain delivery of the Share Amount the relevant Holder must deliver to the Agent (if the Securities are expressed to be in Definitive form) or the Clearing Agent, (if the Securities are expressed to be in Global form) in each case with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent a notice (the “**Notice**”) not later than close of business in the place of reception thereof on the Cut-Off Date. No Notice may be withdrawn after receipt of it by a Clearing Agent, Agent Principal Agent or Swiss Agent. After delivery of a Notice, Securities which are the subject of such Notice may not be transferred.

The Notice shall:

- (i) specify the aggregate Nominal Amount of the Securities which are the subject of such Notice;
- (ii) attach with the specified aggregate Nominal Amount of the Securities (if in Definitive form) or specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with such Securities (if in Global form) and instruct the Clearing Agent to debit such account on such date;
- (iii) specify whether, if a Disruption Cash Settlement Price or any dividend is payable in a currency other than euro, it should be paid by or on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency (which, in the case of payment in Japanese yen to a non-resident of Japan, shall be a non-resident account) to an account maintained by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; or if such amount is payable in euro, payments will be made by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque and in any case specify the number of the account and other relevant information or, as the case may be, the address for delivery of the cheque;

- (iv) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “U.S. person” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act;
 - (v) include an undertaking to pay all Expenses and an authority to debit the account with the Clearing Agent in respect thereof or, as the case may be, to debit the account referred to in paragraph (iii) above or make a deduction from any cheque; and
 - (vi) specify the Delivery Details.
- (g) Late Delivery of Notice. If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Notice is delivered to the relevant Clearing Agent or the copy is delivered to the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent after the close of business in the place of receipt on the Cut-off Date, then the Share Amount will be delivered as soon as practicable after the Maturity Date (the date of delivery in relation to a Share Amount whether on or after the Maturity Date being for the purposes of the Conditions the “**Delivery Date**”) in the manner provided below. For the avoidance of doubt, no holder of Securities or any other person shall be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, by reason of the Delivery Date for such Securities occurring after the Maturity Date due to such Notice (or the copy thereof) being delivered after close of business on the Cut-off Date as provided above. In the event that a Holder does not, in

respect of a Security which is to be redeemed by delivery of the Share Amount, deliver or procure delivery of a Notice as set out above, prior to the date that is 30 calendar days after the Maturity Date, the Issuer shall have the right but not the obligation to sell the Shares comprised in the Share Amount in respect of such Security in the open market or otherwise at a price determined by the Issuer, in its sole discretion, to be the fair market value of the Shares, and shall hold the proceeds (the “**Realised Share Amount**”) for the account of the relevant Holder, until presentation of the relevant Notice. Upon payment of the Realised Share Amount as aforesaid, the Issuer’s obligations in respect of such Security shall be discharged.

- (h) Verification. If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of any Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, of its holding of such Securities.
- (i) Delivery of the Share Amount. Subject as provided in the Conditions, if Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the delivery of the Share Amount shall be made at the risk of the relevant Holder and shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as the Issuer determines to be customary for the Shares or in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to register or procure the registration of any Holder or any other person as the registered shareholder in respect of the Shares comprised in any Share Amount in the register of members of the Share Company. Where an amount equal to the value of the outstanding undelivered fraction of the Shares is payable but the Valuation Date for calculating such amount has been delayed due to a Market Disruption Event, then such amount will be payable three Business Days after the Valuation Date used for the purposes of calculating such amount.
- (j) Determinations. If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether any such Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form, or where applicable, which is not copied to the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such

correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The Principal Agent or Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.

- (k) **Intervening Period.** If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and redemption of a Security is to be by delivery of the Share Amount, for such period of time after the Maturity Date as the Issuer or any person on behalf of the Issuer shall continue to be the legal owner of the Shares comprising the relevant Share Amount (the “**Intervening Period**”), neither the Issuer nor any other such person shall (i) be under any obligation to deliver or procure delivery to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of any document or payment whatsoever received by that person in its capacity as the holder of such Shares (ii) be under any obligation to exercise or procure exercise of any or all rights (including voting rights) attaching to such Shares during the Intervening Period or (iii) be under any liability to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such Shares or any other person in respect of any loss or damage which the relevant Holder or subsequent beneficial owner or any other person may sustain or suffers as a result, whether directly or indirectly, of the Issuer or any other such persons being the legal owner of such Shares during such Intervening Period.
- (l) **Dividends.** If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, any dividend in respect of any Share Amount to be delivered will be payable to the party, as determined by the Issuer, that would receive such dividend in accordance with market practice for a sale of the Shares executed on the Maturity Date and to be delivered in the same manner as such Share Amount. Any such dividend to be paid to a Holder shall be paid to the account specified in the relevant Notice.
- (m) **Settlement Disruption.** If Physical Settlement is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Securities are to settle by delivery of the Share Amount and prior to delivery of the Share Amount in respect thereof in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting, then the Delivery Date for such Security shall be postponed to the first following Business Day on which no Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting. For so long as delivery of any Share Amount is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event, then in lieu of physical settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof the Issuer may elect in

its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Security by payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price not later than on the third Business Day following the date that the notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred. No Holder or any other person shall be entitled to any payment (including but not limited to interest) in respect of a Security in the event of any delay in the delivery of any Share Amount relating thereto due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer.

- (n) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (o) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (p) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (1) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (2) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
 - (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (A) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (B) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (aa) such Shares, or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (E) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (F) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (G) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (1), (2) or (3) below:
- (1) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
 - (2) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging

arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

- (3) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (1) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (2) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or

binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares of a Share Company); or (3) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the relevant Valuation Date.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (1) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (2) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO AUTOCALLABLE REFERENCE RATE NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Barrier Level**” means the level determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means in relation to the final Valuation Date an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Early Redemption Amount**” means in relation to each Valuation Date other than the final Valuation Date, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Early Redemption Amount

shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Early Redemption Event” occurs, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, when, in relation to any Valuation Date other than the final Valuation Date, the Final Reference Price on such Valuation Date is greater than the Initial Reference Price, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Reference Rate at the Valuation Time on a Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to information published on the Reference Rate Screen Page without regard to any subsequently published correction provided that if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on the relevant Valuation Date, then the Final Reference Price will be the Reference Rate as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Reference Rate at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to information published on the Reference Rate Screen Page without regard to any subsequently published correction provided that if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a

Market Disruption Event has occurred on the Pricing Date, then the Initial Reference Price will be the Reference Rate as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maturity Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency

is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Reference Rate**” means the reference rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Percentage**” means, if applicable, the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Reference Banks**” means five leading dealers in the London interbank market which ordinarily provide quotations for the Reference Rate or any other rate requested by the Calculation Agent pursuant to Condition 4, as selected by the Issuer in its absolute discretion;

“**Reference Rate Screen Page**” means the page specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the autocallable reference rate notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London;

“**Valuation Date**” means each of the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding

for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at:
 - (i) If an Early Redemption Event has not occurred, the Cash Amount; or
 - (ii) If an Early Redemption Event has occurred, the Early Redemption Amount,such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (c) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or after the Valuation Date in respect of which an Early Redemption Event occurs, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (e) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or

omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Interest Amount or the Early Redemption Amount.

- (f) **Settlement Risk.** Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (g) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (h) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

A “**Market Disruption Event**” means the situation in which the Reference Rate is not available on the Reference Rate Screen Page, in which case the relevant rate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent, on the basis of quotations for the relevant rate or such other related rate as the Calculation Agent shall in its sole and absolute discretion specify provided by the Reference Banks at the Valuation Time for the relevant Trading Day. The Issuer will request the principal London office of each of the Reference Banks to provide a quotation of the relevant rate. The relevant rate will be the arithmetic mean of the quotations,

eliminating the highest quotation (or in the event of equality, one of the highest) and the lowest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest) if more than three quotations are provided. If it is not possible to obtain quotations of the relevant rate by at least three of the Reference Banks then the Calculation Agent will determine the Reference Rate at its sole and absolute discretion.

- (b) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determination. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO SHARE NOTES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) **Illiquidity.** It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means, with respect to each Share, the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Averaging Dates**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Final Averaging Dates” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, in relation to each Share, each of the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless in the determination of the Calculation Agent a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case such Final Averaging Date shall be the first succeeding Valid Averaging Date on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Specified Valid Averaging Dates immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Final Averaging Date. In that case (i) the last Specified Valid Averaging Date shall be deemed to be the Final Averaging Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the price of the Share for such Final Averaging Date, having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless for the relevant Series “Final Reference Price” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the price determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Initial Averaging Dates” means, unless for the relevant Series “Initial Averaging Dates” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, in relation to each Share, each of the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless in the determination of the Calculation Agent a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case such Initial Averaging Date shall be the first succeeding Valid Averaging Date on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Specified Valid Averaging Dates immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Initial Averaging Date. In that case (i) the last Specified Valid Averaging Date shall be deemed to be the Initial Averaging Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the price of the Share for such Initial Averaging Date, having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Initial Reference Price” means, unless for the relevant Series “Initial Reference Price” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as not applicable, the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the share notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Share**” means each of the shares specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Company**” means, in relation to each Share, the share company specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Specified Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Specified Valid Averaging Dates**” means the number of Valid Averaging Dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means, in relation to each Share, the currency specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valid Averaging Date**” means a Trading Day which is not an Initial Averaging Date or a Final Averaging Date;

“**Valuation Date**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Valuation Date” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Specified Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case the last Specified Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event);

“**Valuation Time**” means the close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Share or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means, if applicable, in relation to each Share, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry

system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur, subject as provided below, on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any

Interest Amount. The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.

- (g) **Settlement Risk.** Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (1) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (2) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
- (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (A) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (B) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (aa) such Shares, or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less

than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (E) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (F) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (G) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

(c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (1), (2) or (3) below:

(1) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or

(2) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

(3) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related

Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (1) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (2) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (3) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Issuer Call Date or Valuation Date, as applicable.

“**Nationalisation**” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“**Insolvency**” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company, (1) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (2) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO SINGLE STOCK EXCHANGEABLE NOTES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, (i) a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business and (ii) a day on which the Exchange is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Delivery Details**” means, where applicable, account details and/or name and address of any person into whose name evidence of the Share Amount is to be registered and/or any bank, broker or agent to whom documents evidencing title are to be delivered;

“Disruption Cash Settlement Price” means the fair market value of the Security on such day as shall be selected by the Issuer less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any related hedging arrangement, all as determined by the Issuer;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) **Illiquidity.** It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Exchange” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Exchange Date” means the date of valid delivery of the Notice pursuant to the Holder’s Optional Exchange Right;

“Exchange Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Exchange Price” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Exchange Rate” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Exchange Time” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties, and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Reference Price” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) equal to the price of the Share on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported

trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Holder**” has the meaning set out in Product Condition 2;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date. In respect of each Security, the Interest Period during which a Notice is delivered and each subsequent Interest Period shall be disregarded for this purpose;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer Call**” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(d);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(d) and, if any such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Optional Exchange Right” means the right of the Holder to exchange any Security, in whole but not in part, for the Share Amount in accordance with Product Condition 3(e);

“Optional Exchange Right Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the relevant place of presentation of the Securities and either (i) if the Settlement Currency is not euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre of the country of such currency (if other than the place of presentation of such Security) or (ii) if the Settlement Currency is euro, a day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date (if any) specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Share are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the single stock exchangeable securities specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Disruption Event**” means, in the determination of the Issuer, an event beyond the control of the Issuer as a result of which the Issuer cannot make delivery of the Share Amount in accordance with such market method as it decides at the relevant time for delivery of the relevant Share Amount;

“**Share**” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Share Amount**” means for each Nominal Amount the number of Shares specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4. If the Share Amount is an amount comprising a fraction of any Share, the Holder will receive a Share Amount comprising the nearest whole number (rounded down) of Shares (taking into account that a Holder’s entire holding may be aggregated at the Issuer’s discretion for the purpose of delivering the relevant Share Amount) and an amount equal to the value of the outstanding undelivered fraction of such Share, as calculated by the Calculation Agent on the basis of the price of the Share on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, Issuer Call Date or Exchange Date, as the case may be, (each a “**Relevant Date**”) converted into the Settlement Currency at the prevailing Exchange Rate, if an Exchange Rate is specified, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on the Relevant Date and each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the Relevant Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Relevant Date for the purposes of calculating the value of any outstanding undelivered fraction of the Share (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine such value having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price for the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Share Company**” means the company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Exchange or any Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Exchange publishes the official closing price of the Share or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) **Global Form.** Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular Nominal Amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the Nominal Amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such Nominal Amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) **Dematerialised Form.** Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and

regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously exchanged, redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions and in the case of an Issuer Call (if applicable), each Security will be redeemed in respect of each Nominal Amount at:

- (i) the Cash Amount, on the Maturity Date;
- (ii) by delivery of the Share Amount, in the event of there being an Optional Exchange Right;
- (iii) if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer Call Cash Amount in the event of there being an Issuer Call and the Issuer Call Cash Amount Condition specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms is satisfied; or
- (iv) if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, by delivery of the Share Amount in the event of there being an Issuer Call and the Issuer Call Share Amount Condition specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms is satisfied,

such redemption to occur, subject as provided below, on the Settlement Date.

- (b) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction and is payable on each Interest Payment Date. In respect of each Security, in the event that a Notice is delivered by the relevant Holder during an Interest Period then, in respect of that Interest Period and each subsequent Interest Period to the Maturity Date, no further Interest Amount shall be paid and any accrued unpaid Interest Amount shall be exchanged as provided in Product Condition 3(e).
- (c) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall cease to accrue interest (A) from and including the due date for redemption, or (B) if a Notice is delivered, from and including the last day of the immediately preceding Interest Period. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or any earlier date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount, or delivery of any Share Amount or payment of any fraction of a Share, is postponed due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event or a Market Disruption Event. Further, no Interest Amount will be paid in respect of the Interest Period in which the Exchange Date or, if applicable, the Issuer Call Date falls.
- (d) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole or in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in

accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (e) **Optional Exchange Right.** Subject to an Issuer Call (if applicable), the Holder is entitled to exercise the Optional Exchange Right on any Business Day during the Exchange Period by giving at least the Optional Exchange Right Notice Period notice and by delivery of a valid Notice by the Exchange Time in accordance with Product Condition 3(j) at the specified office of any Agent. Upon any such valid exchange, the right of the relevant Holder to receive the Cash Amount and any Interest Amount not yet paid shall be extinguished and in consideration and exchange thereof the Issuer shall, except as otherwise provided in these Conditions, deliver the Share Amount on the Settlement Date.

In the event that the Holder does not hold an account with the Exchange on the Settlement Date, the Issuer shall use reasonable endeavours to sell the Share Amount on behalf of the Holder and pay the resultant proceeds of sale less Expenses to the Holder in such manner as it shall determine in its sole discretion.

- (f) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (g) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Amount, any Interest Amount, the Share Amount or the Disruption Cash Settlement Price. The purchase of Securities does not confer on any holder of such Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) attached to the Shares.
- (h) **Notice.** Pursuant to Condition 3(e), to exercise the Optional Exchange Right, the relevant Holder must deliver to the Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, a notice in the form obtainable from the Agents (the “**Notice**”). No Notice may be withdrawn after receipt of it by a Clearing Agent or the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent. After delivery of a Notice, Securities which are the subject of such Notice may not be transferred.

The Notice shall:

- (i) be dated and shall specify the aggregate Nominal Amount of the Securities which are the subject of such Notice;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with such Securities and instruct the Clearing Agent to debit such account on such date;
 - (iii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with any Disruption Cash Settlement Price;
 - (iv) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, "U.S. person" means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission's regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other "U.S. person" as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act;
 - (v) include an undertaking to pay all Expenses and an irrevocable authority to the Clearing Agent to debit a specified account with the Clearing Agent in respect thereof or, as the case may be, to make a deduction from any amount payable; and
 - (vi) specify the Delivery Details.
- (i) Late Delivery of Notice. Any Notice to exercise the Optional Exchange Right delivered after the Exchange Time in the place of receipt on any Trading Day during the Exchange Period or on a day which is not a Trading Day will be deemed exercised on the following Trading Day during the Exchange Period. Any Notice delivered outside the Exchange Period shall be

null and void. For the avoidance of doubt, no holder of Securities or any other person shall be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, by reason of such Notice (or the copy thereof) being delivered late.

- (j) **Verification.** In respect of any Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, of its holding of such Securities.
- (k) **Delivery of the Share Amount.** Subject as provided in the Conditions, the delivery of the Share Amount shall be made at the risk of the relevant Holder and shall be delivered and evidenced in such manner as the Issuer determines to be customary for the Share or in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to register or procure the registration of any Holder or any other person as the registered holder in respect of the Shares comprised in any Share Amount in the register of members of the Share Company.
- (l) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether any such Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form or, where applicable, which is not copied to the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The Principal Agent or Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.
- (m) **Intervening Period.** If redemption of a Security is to be by delivery of the Share Amount, for such period of time after the Maturity Date as the Issuer or any person on behalf of the Issuer shall continue to be the legal owner of the Share comprising the relevant Share Amount (the “**Intervening Period**”), neither the Issuer nor any other such person shall (i) be under any obligation to deliver or procure delivery to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of any document or payment whatsoever received by that person in its capacity as the holder of such Share, (ii) be under any obligation to exercise or procure exercise of any or all rights (including voting rights) attaching to such Shares during the Intervening Period or (iii) be under any liability to the relevant Holder or any subsequent beneficial owner of such

Share or any other person in respect of any loss or damage which the relevant Holder or subsequent beneficial owner or any other person may sustain or suffers as a result, whether directly or indirectly, of the Issuer or any other such persons being the legal owner of such Share during such Intervening Period.

- (n) Dividends. Any dividend in respect of any Share Amount to be delivered will be payable to the party that would receive such dividend according to market practice for a sale of the Shares executed on the Exchange Date or Issuer Call Date, as applicable, and to be delivered in the same manner as such Share Amount. Any such dividend to be paid to a Holder shall be paid to the account specified in the relevant Notice.
- (o) Settlement Disruption. If the Securities are to settle by delivery of the Share Amount and prior to the delivery of the Share Amount in respect thereof, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting, then the delivery date for such Security shall be postponed to the first following Business Day on which no Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting. For so long as delivery of any Share Amount is not practicable by reason of a Settlement Disruption Event, then in lieu of physical settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Security by payment of the Disruption Cash Settlement Price not later than on the third Business Day following the date that the notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred. No Holder or any other person shall be entitled to any payment (including but not limited to interest) in respect of a Security in the event of any delay in the delivery of any Share Amount relating thereto due to the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer.
- (p) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (q) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the

Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (r) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (1) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Share on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (2) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

(b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:

- (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
- (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (A) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or, a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (B) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (aa) such Shares, or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (E) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (F) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (G) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

(c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (1), (2) or (3) below:

- (1) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these

Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or

- (2) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (3) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (1) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (2) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (3) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date.

“Nationalisation” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“Insolvency” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company, (1) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (2) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any

such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO SINGLE STOCK EXCHANGEABLE NOTES (INTO CASH)

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, (i) a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business and (ii) a day on which the Exchange is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Conversion Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of Conversion Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Conversion Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Conversion Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Early Termination Date**” means the date of valid delivery of the relevant notice pursuant to Holder Early Termination;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Period**” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties, and/or expenses, including all applicable depositary, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Underlying Currency) equal to the price of the Share on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Holder**” has the meaning set out in Product Condition 2;

“**Holder Early Termination**” means, notwithstanding the provisions of General Condition 3, the termination of the Securities, in whole or in part, by the Holder in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date. In respect of each Security, the Interest Period during which a Notice is delivered and each subsequent Interest Period shall be disregarded for this purpose;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(d);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(d) and, if any such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Optional Exchange Right Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the relevant place of presentation of the Securities and either (i) if the Settlement Currency is not euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre of the country of such currency (if other than the place of presentation of such Security) or (ii) if the Settlement Currency is euro, a day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date (if any) specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Share are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Securities” means each Series of the single stock exchangeable securities (into cash) specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” means each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Share**” means the share specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Share Company**” means the company specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on the Exchange or any Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Exchange publishes the official closing price of the Share or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depository for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular Nominal Amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the Nominal Amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such Nominal Amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised

Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously exchanged, redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions and in the case of an Issuer Call (if applicable), each Security will be redeemed in respect of each Nominal Amount at:
 - (i) the Conversion Amount in the event of there being a Holder Early Termination;
 - (ii) if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer Call Cash Amount in the event of there being an Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) otherwise the Cash Amount,such redemption to occur, subject as provided below, on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction and is payable on each Interest Payment Date. In respect of each Security, in the event that a Notice is delivered by the relevant Holder during an Interest Period then, in respect of that Interest Period and each subsequent Interest Period to the Maturity Date, no further Interest Amount shall be paid.
- (c) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall cease to accrue interest

from and including (A) from and including the due date for redemption or (B) if a Notice is delivered, from and including the last day of the immediately preceding Interest Period. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or any earlier date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event. Further, no Interest Amount will be paid in respect of the Interest Period in which the Early Termination Date or, if applicable, the Issuer Call Date falls.

- (d) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole or in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (e) Holder Early Termination. Subject to an Issuer Call (if applicable), the Holder may terminate the Securities held by it in whole or in part at any time on any Trading Day during the Exchange Period by giving at least the Optional Exchange Right Notice Period notice and delivery of a valid Notice by the Conversion Time in accordance with Product Condition 3(j) at the specified office of any Agent. Upon any such Holder Early Termination, the right of the Holder to receive the Cash Amount and any Interest Amount not yet paid shall be extinguished and the Issuer shall, except as otherwise provided in these Conditions, deliver the Conversion Amount on the Settlement Date.
- (f) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (g) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, the Conversion Amount, the Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (h) Notice. Pursuant to Condition 3(e), to effect a Holder Early Termination, the relevant Holder must deliver to the Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, a

notice in the form obtainable from the Agents (the “**Notice**”). No Notice may be withdrawn after receipt of it by a Clearing Agent or the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent. After delivery of a Notice, Securities which are the subject of such Notice may not be transferred.

The Notice shall:

- (i) be dated and shall specify the aggregate Nominal Amount of the Securities which are the subject of such Notice;
 - (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with such Securities and instruct the Clearing Agent to debit such account on such date;
 - (iii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Conversion Amount of such Securities;
 - (iv) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “U.S. person” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and
 - (v) include an undertaking to pay all Expenses and irrevocable authority to the Clearing Agent to debit a specified account with the Clearing Agent in respect thereof or, as the case may be, to make a deduction from any amount payable.
- (i) Late Delivery of Notice. Any Notice to effect a Holder Early Termination delivered after the Conversion Time in the place of receipt on any Trading Day during the Exchange Period or

on a day which is not a Trading Day will be deemed exercised on the following Trading Day during the Exchange Period. Any Notice delivered outside the Exchange Period shall be null and void. For the avoidance of doubt, no holder of Securities or any other period shall be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, by reason of such Notice (or the copy thereof) being delivered late.

- (j) **Verification.** In respect of any Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, of its holding of such Securities.
- (k) **Determinations.** Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether any such Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form or, where applicable, which is not copied to the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.
- (l) **Settlement Risk.** Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or

transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (n) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event” means:

- (1) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Share on any Related Exchange, if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (2) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

(b) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:

- (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
- (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (A) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event), or, a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (B) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (aa) such Shares, or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (E) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (F) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (G) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

(c) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (1), (2) or (3) below:

- (1) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these

Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or

- (2) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (3) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing” means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event” means any (1) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (2) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (3) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the Valuation Date.

“Nationalisation” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“Insolvency” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company, (1) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (2) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

- (d) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any

such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX EXCHANGEABLE NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms less Expenses. The Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Conversion Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of Conversion Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms less Expenses. The Conversion Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Conversion Level**” means the number specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Conversion Time**” means the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Early Termination Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding day which is a Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day, in which case the Early Termination Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Early Termination Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Early Termination Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Index Level having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall

be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the Index, or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Exchange Period**” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Exchange Rate**” means the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other

taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Index Level” means a number equal to the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the earlier of (i) Early Termination Date; or (ii) if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer Call Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Final Termination Date” means the day specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Governmental Authority” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Holder” has the meaning set out in Product Condition 2;

“Holder Early Termination” means, notwithstanding the provisions of General Condition 3, the termination of the Securities, in whole or in part, by the Holder in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Holder Early Termination Notice Date” means the date specified as such in the Notice delivered by the Holder in accordance with Product Condition 3;

“Index” means the index specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (a) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the method of calculation and adjustment, if any, related to the relevant Index and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date. In respect of each Security, the Interest Period during which a Notice is delivered and each subsequent Interest Period shall be disregarded for this purpose;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(d);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(d) and, if any such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in

the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Index Level having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Optional Exchange Right Notice Period” means the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross-settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Day” means the date (if any) specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such

underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the index exchangeable securities specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” means each series of Securities set out specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms; and

“**Valuation Time**” means the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depository for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular Nominal Amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the Nominal Amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such Nominal Amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance

with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously exchanged, redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions and in the case of an Issuer Call (if applicable), each Security will be redeemed in respect of each Nominal Amount at:
 - (i) the Conversion Amount in the event of there being a Holder Early Termination;
 - (ii) if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer Call Cash Amount in the event of there being an Issuer Call; or
 - (iii) otherwise the Cash Amount,such redemption to occur, subject as provided below, on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction and is payable on each Interest Payment Date. In respect of each Security, in the event that a Notice is delivered by the relevant Holder during an Interest Period then, in respect of that Interest Period and each subsequent Interest Period to the Maturity Date, no further Interest Amount shall be paid.

- (c) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall cease to accrue interest (A) from and including the due date for redemption or (B) if a Notice is delivered, from and including the last day of the immediately preceding Interest Period. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or any earlier date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event. Further, no Interest Amount will be paid in respect of the Interest Period in which the Early Termination Date or, if applicable, the Issuer Call Date falls.
- (d) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may terminate the Securities, in whole or in part, on any Business Day by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to terminate the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (e) Holder Early Termination. Subject to an Issuer Call (if applicable) and pursuant to Condition 3(j), the Holder may terminate the Securities held by it in whole or in part at any time on any Trading Day during the Exchange Period by giving at least the Optional Exchange Right Notice Period notice and delivery of a valid Notice by the Conversion Time in accordance with Product Condition 3(j) at the specified office of any Agent. Upon any such Holder Early Termination, the right of the Holder to receive the Cash Amount and any Interest Amount not yet paid shall be extinguished and the Issuer shall, except as otherwise provided in these Conditions, deliver the Conversion Amount on the Settlement Date.
- (f) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (g) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, the Conversion Amount, the Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.

- (h) Notice. Pursuant to Product Condition 3(e), to effect a Holder Early Termination, the relevant Holder must deliver to the Clearing Agent with a copy to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, a notice in the form obtainable from the Agents (the “**Notice**”). No Notice may be withdrawn after receipt of it by a Clearing Agent Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. After delivery of a Notice, Securities which are the subject of such Notice may not be transferred.

The Notice shall:

- (i) be dated and shall specify the aggregate Nominal Amount of the Securities which are the subject of such Notice;
- (ii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with such Securities and instruct the Clearing Agent to debit such account on such date;
- (iii) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Conversion Amount of such Securities;
- (iv) certify that neither the person delivering the Notice nor any person on whose behalf the Notice is being delivered is a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “U.S. person” means (A) an individual who is a resident or a citizen of the United States; (B) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (C) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (D) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (E) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (B) above; (F) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (A) to (E) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (G) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or in regulations adopted under the United States Commodity Exchange Act; and

- (v) include an undertaking to pay all Expenses and irrevocable authority to the Clearing Agent to debit a specified account with the Clearing Agent in respect thereof or, as the case may be, to make a deduction from any amount payable.
- (i) Late Delivery of Notice. Any Notice to effect a Holder Early Termination delivered after the Conversion Time in the place of receipt on any Trading Day during the Exchange Period or on a day which is not a Trading Day will be deemed exercised on the following Trading Day during the Exchange Period. Any Notice delivered outside the Exchange Period shall be null and void. For the avoidance of doubt, no holder of Securities or any other period shall be entitled to any payment, whether of interest or otherwise, by reason of such Notice (or the copy thereof) being delivered late.
- (j) Verification. In respect of any Notice, the relevant Holder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent, of its holding of such Securities.
- (k) Determinations. Failure properly to complete and deliver a Notice may result in such Notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether any such Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and Swiss Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Holder. Subject as set out below, any Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form or, where applicable, which is not copied to the Principal Agent or Swiss Agent immediately after being delivered to a Clearing Agent as provided in the Conditions shall be void. If such Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent and Swiss Agent it shall be deemed to be a new Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to such Clearing Agent and copied to the Principal Agent or the Swiss Agent. The Principal Agent and Swiss Agent shall use its best efforts promptly to notify the Holder if it has determined that a Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Principal Agent and Swiss Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Holder.
- (l) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (m) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or

by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (n) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. "Market Disruption Event" means (i) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or (ii) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on any Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
 - (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant

exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

(b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below:

- (1) If the Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “Successor Sponsor”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
- (2) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Index, then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Index Level using, in lieu of a published level for the Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (3) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of

the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (i) Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; and (H) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

(4) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

(c) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any

such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED NOTES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Disruption Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Best Performing Reference Asset**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, on each anniversary of the Issue Date, the Reference Asset that performed the best compared to the other Reference Asset in the Basket according to the formula as specified in the Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means in respect of each Fund that is an exchange traded fund, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Value**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the NAV of each Reference Asset as quoted by the fund manager of the Reference Asset or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Fund Reference Asset quoted on the Exchange, in each case for each Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV can be determined and no Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the NAV of the Reference Asset or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Fund Reference Asset on the Exchange, in each case for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV or price of the Reference Asset or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Fund Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Fund**” means each fund (including exchange traded funds) specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Fund Administrator**” means, in respect of the Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“**Fund Adviser**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“**Fund Documents**” means, with respect to any Fund or Fund Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Fund Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Fund Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“**Fund Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4(d) and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Fund Prospectus**” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“**Fund Reference Asset**” means the relevant interests in each Fund or if the Fund is an exchange traded fund the relevant interests specified as “Fund Reference Assets” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Fund Service Provider**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Hedging Agreement**” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“**Inclusion Date**” means (i) in respect of the Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“**Index**” means each index specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Sponsor**” means, in relation to each Index, the sponsor specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the applicable Final Terms and shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Value**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Reference Values**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, the date specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) a Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Reference Asset in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Issuer Call Cash Amount having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf deems relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Issuer Call Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Merger Event” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“NAV” means net asset value;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Portfolio Guidelines” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“Pricing Date” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, circumstances so require;

“Reference Asset” means each Fund or Index, as the case may be, and **“Reference Assets”** means each or all of the Funds and Index’s as the case may be;

“Reference Asset Currency” means, in relation to each Index in the applicable Final Terms, the currency specified as such in the definition of the Basket;

“Reference Asset Exchange Rate” means, in relation to each Reference Asset and where applicable, the rate of exchange between the relevant Reference Asset Currency and the Settlement Currency taken from

Reuters page WX+ or as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonable determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Reference Banks” means the entities, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Related Exchange” means in respect of each Index, an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of Underlying Rate for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Party” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“Replacement Fund” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(e)(ii). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“Re-Weighting” means with respect to each Index, if “Re-weighting” is specified as being “Applicable” in the applicable Final terms, the percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Screen Page” means each page, if any, specified as such in the definition of Underlying Rate for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to any such page which contains the same information;

“Securities” means each Series of the notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, the Maturity Date or if later, the third Business Day following the Valuation Date;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Substitution Date**” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“**Trading Day**” means such days as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Underlying Rate**” means each rate, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the Screen Page (if any) unless in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred, in which case the underlying rate shall be calculated in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) a Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Reference Asset, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Cash Amount having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV or price trading price of the Reference Asset or, where the Reference Asset is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Fund Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on that day in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(e) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“**Valuation Time**” means, in relation to the Underlying Rate, at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, for each Reference Asset, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the

Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.

- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at

least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.

- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (g) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on

behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (i) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4 ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Disruption Event. Following a Disruption Event, the Calculation Agent will determine the effect of such Disruption Event and shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Issuer of such occurrence. The Calculation Agent will account for such occurrence as it sees fit which may include but is not limited to delaying calculation of the Cash Amount, the Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount or making the appropriate adjustment to the calculation of the Cash Amount or any Interest Amount, all in the determination of the Calculation Agent.

“**Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event; or
 - (ii) an Index Adjustment Event; or
 - (iii) an Additional Disruption Event.
- (b) Market Disruption. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(b), “**Market Disruption Event**” means

- (i) In respect of the Index, the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading in (by

reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index, if in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
- (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (ii) In respect of the Strategy:
 - (A) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Index Sponsor to announce or publish the price for the relevant Strategy Component (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Index Sponsor; or
 - (B) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on any Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
 - (C) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of each relevant Strategy Component on the relevant Exchange; or
 - (D) Material Change in Formula. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of calculating the price of each Strategy Component; or

- (E) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content, composition of each Strategy Component; or
 - (F) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the relevant Exchange with respect to each Strategy Component is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the relevant Strategy Component has been impaired due to a lack of, or, a material reduction in, trading in the relevant Strategy Component on the relevant Exchange; or
 - (G) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the relevant Strategy Component (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the relevant Strategy Component on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
 - (H) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the relevant Strategy Component with respect to it or any contract with respect thereto on any exchange or principal trading market; or
 - (I) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.
- (c) Index Adjustment Event. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below:
- (i) If the Index is: (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (ii) If: (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date or, if applicable, the Issuer Call Date as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, makes a

material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date or, if applicable, the Issuer Call Date as the case may be, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable the Successor Sponsor, fails to calculate and/or publish the Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Value using, in lieu of a published level(s) for the Index on the Valuation Date or, if applicable, the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or to terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (I) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account. (A) (i) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (C) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (D) an extraordinary dividend; (E) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (G) any other

extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, if applicable; (H) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (I) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or is required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

(i), (ii) and (iv) above shall apply in the same context to the Strategy.

- (d) Fund Events. Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Fund Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Fund Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

- (i) Global Events:

- (A) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund’s portfolio from that which prevailed at

its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

- (B) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.
- (C) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.

- (D) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.
- (E) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Fund Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(d)(i)(E)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(d)(i)(E)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional

liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(d)(i)(E)(a) through 4(d)(i)(E)(f) above.

- (F) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (G) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (H) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
- (I) In respect of any Fund Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Fund Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Fund Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (J) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity

by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Fund Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Fund Reference Assets held by them.

- (K) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
 - (L) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.
- (ii) NAV/Price and Reporting:
- (A) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Fund Reference Assets on the Exchange.
 - (B) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.
 - (C) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the

Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefor set out in such documents.

- (D) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.
- (E) (i) In respect of any Fund Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Fund Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Fund Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's

compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Fund Reference Assets).

(iii) Fund Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Fund Reference Assets occurs:

- (A) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Fund Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Fund Reference Assets;
- (B) a portion of each Fund Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of “side-pocket” which affects the Fund Reference Assets;
- (C) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Fund Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Fund Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Fund Reference Assets;
- (D) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Fund Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Fund Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund; or

(iv) Trading and Fees:

- (A) In respect of the Fund Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Fund Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Fund Reference Assets as of such date).
- (B) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Fund Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without

limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Fund Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.

- (C) The frequency at which Fund Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Fund Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
- (D) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Fund Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:
 - (I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or
 - (II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Fund Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.
- (v) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:
 - (A) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.
 - (B) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.
 - (C) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the

Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.

(D) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Fund Reference Assets.

(vi) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in sub-paragraphs (i) to (v) above.

(e) Consequences of a Fund Event.

In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a “**Permitted Action**”):

(i) (A) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (B) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or

(ii) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (A) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (B) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (C) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or

(iii) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or

(iv) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as

the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Fund Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Fund Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (A) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (B) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (A) or (B) of this clause 4(e)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (C) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (A), (B) or (C), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(d), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

- (f) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:
 - (i) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Fund Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value

does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Fund Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.

- (ii) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
- (iii) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising. The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the

Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED NOTES II

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Additional Market Disruption Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Share, Fund (including, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the Reference Asset) or Index, as the case may be, specified as such in the definition of Basket, and “**Basket Constituents**” means each or all of the Shares, Funds (including, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the Reference Assets) and Indexes as the case may be;

“**Basket Constituent Currency**” means, in relation to each Basket Constituent in the applicable Final Terms, the currency specified as such in the definition of the Basket;

“**Basket Return**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated in accordance with the following formula:

Weight of Share x Share Return + Weight of Index x Index Return + Weight of Fund x Fund Return;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such

jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or

- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Exchange” means, (i) with respect to each Share and each Fund which is an exchange traded fund, the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system and (ii) with respect to each Index, each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the **“Index Shares”**) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Exchange Rate” means, in relation to each Basket Constituent and where applicable, the rate of exchange between the relevant Basket Constituent Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonable determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“Fund” means each fund (including exchange traded funds) specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Fund Administrator” means, in respect of the Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“Fund Adviser” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“Fund Documents” means, with respect to any Fund or Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4(f) and any Additional Fund Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Fund Final Reference Price” means in respect of each Fund, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms (i) the Fund Reference Price on the Valuation Date or (ii) if “Final Averaging” is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the relevant Final Terms, an amount equal to the arithmetic mean of the Fund Reference Prices on each of the Valuation Dates;

“Fund Initial Reference Price” means, in respect of each Fund, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms the Fund Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“Fund Prospectus” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“Fund Reference Price” means in respect of each Fund, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the NAV of such Fund as quoted by the fund manager or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, in each case at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction, or (if in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV (as the case may be) can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of such Fund or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, in each case having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of such Fund or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Fund Return” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

Fund Final Reference Price / Fund Initial Reference Price -1;

“**Fund Service Provider**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Hedging Agreement**” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“**Inclusion Date**” means (i) in respect of the Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“**Index**” means each index specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Final Reference Price**” means in respect of each Index, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) the Index Reference Price on the Valuation Date or (ii) if “Final Averaging” is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the relevant Final Terms, an amount equal to the arithmetic mean of the Index Reference Prices on each of the Valuation Dates;

“**Index Initial Reference Price**” means, in respect of each Index, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Index Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“**Index Reference Price**” means in respect of each Index, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Index Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Index Return**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

Index Final Reference Price / Index Initial Reference Price -1;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (i) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (ii) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant

Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, the date specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Basket Constituent in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (A) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (B) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Issuer Call Cash Amount having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf deems relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(g) shall apply and the Issuer Call Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Merger Event” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable

commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Participation**” means the amount specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer or the Calculator Agent on its behalf in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculator Agent on its behalf, circumstances so required;

“**Reference Asset**” means the relevant interests specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the Applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 or, where the Reference Asset is not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Fund is not an exchange traded fund, the relevant interests in each Fund, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Related Exchange**” means in respect of each Share or each Index, an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares or the Index are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“Relevant Number of Trading Days” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Relevant Party” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“Replacement Fund” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(g)(ii). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“Securities” means each Series of the notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a **“Security”**. References to the terms **“Securities”** and **“Security”** shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Series” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Currency” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Settlement Date” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, the Maturity Date or if later, the third Business Day following the Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, as applicable;

“Share” means each share specified as such in the definition of Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “Shares” shall be construed accordingly;

“Share Return” means in respect of each Share, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, an amount calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Share Final Reference Price} / \text{Share Initial Reference Price} - 1;$$

“Share Company” means for each Share, the share company specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Share Final Reference Price” means in respect of each Share, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) the Share Reference Price on the Valuation Date or (ii) if “Final Averaging” is specified as being applicable in the relevant Final Terms, an amount equal to the arithmetic mean of each of the Share Reference Prices on each of the Valuation Dates;

“Share Initial Reference Price” means, in respect of each Share, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Share Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“Share Reference Price” means in respect of each Share, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the price determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of such Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Standard Currency” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“Substitution Date” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“Trading Day” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) with respect to each Share, any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time, (ii) with respect to a Fund, any day (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been a day) on which trading in the Fund or the Reference Asset, as applicable, can take place and (iii) with respect to an Index, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“Valuation Date” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Basket Constituent, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event unless the Issuer or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Cash Amount having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on that day in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(g) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“**Valuation Time**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) with respect to each Index the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index, (ii) with respect to each Share the official close of trading on the relevant Exchange and (iii) with respect to each Fund (other than those Funds which are exchange traded funds) the time with reference to which the fund manager publishes the NAV or value and (iv) with respect to Funds which are exchange traded funds the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant series in the applicable Final Terms. Or, such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means, for each Basket Constituent, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or

other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**”

means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event or Fund Event, as applicable.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following

Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.

- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (g) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4 ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption in relation to a Share. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(a), a “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (1) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (2) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (b) Market Disruption in relation to an Index. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(b) a “**Market Disruption Event**” means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (1) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that

security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or

- (2) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.
- (c) Potential Adjustment Events in relation to a Share. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
- (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following: (A) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (B) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (aa) such Shares, or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater

than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (E) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (F) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (G) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (d) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (1), (2) or (3) below:
- (1) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
 - (2) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
 - (3) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the

date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“De-listing”, in this Product Condition 4(d) only, means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“Merger Date” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“Merger Event”, in this Product Condition 4(d) only, means any (1) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of outstanding Shares; (2) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (3) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power in the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the relevant Valuation Date.

“Nationalisation” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“Insolvency” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (1) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (2) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

(e) Potential Adjustment Events in relation to an Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.

(1) If any Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “Successor Sponsor”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the relevant Index, then (in either case) the relevant Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

(2) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating any Index or in any other way materially modifies an Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish any Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the relevant Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the relevant Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the relevant Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the relevant Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (3) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the relevant Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the relevant Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of (i) the Index Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Index Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Index Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Index Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Index Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Index Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Index Shares; and (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Index Shares.
- (4) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be

required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

(f) Fund Events. Each of the following events constitutes a “Fund Event”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

(i) Global Events:

(A) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund’s portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

(B) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no

action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.

- (C) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.
- (D) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.
- (E) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a

general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(f)(i)(E)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(f)(i)(E)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(f)(i)(E)(a) through 4(f)(i)(E)(f) above.

- (F) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (G) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.

- (H) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
 - (I) In respect of any Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
 - (J) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Reference Assets held by them.
 - (K) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
 - (L) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.
- (ii) NAV/Price and Reporting:

- (A) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Reference Assets on the Exchange.
- (B) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.
- (C) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefor set out in such documents.
- (D) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.
- (E) (i) In respect of any Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf

determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Reference Assets).

(iii) Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Reference Assets occurs:

- (A) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (B) a portion of each Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of "side-pocket" which affects the Reference Assets;
- (C) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Reference Assets which has or

is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;

- (D) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund;
or

(iv) Trading and Fees:

- (A) In respect of the Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Reference Assets as of such date).
- (B) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.
- (C) The frequency at which Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
- (D) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:
 - (I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or
 - (II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,

or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.

(v) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:

(A) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.

(B) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.

(C) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.

(D) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Reference Assets.

(vi) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in sub-paragraphs (i) to (v) above.

(g) Consequences of a Fund Event.

In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a “Permitted Action”):

- (i) (A) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (B) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
- (ii) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (A) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (B) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (C) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or
- (iii) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iv) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (A) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (B) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (A) or (B) of this clause 4(g)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (C) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (A), (B) or (C), a "Suspension Asset").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to

adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(f), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

(h) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:

- (i) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.
- (ii) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
- (iii) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation,

may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.

(i) Adjustments to the Basket

If a De-Listing occurs with respect to a Fund or a Share, as applicable or a Fund or a Share, as applicable is for any reason cancelled or ceases to exist, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Fund or Share, as applicable by a successor fund or share, as applicable which has in the determination of the Calculation Agent the same or substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact, and is linked to the same asset as such Fund or Share, as applicable (B) remove the de-listed or cancelled Fund or Share, as applicable and allocate the Fund Final Reference Price or Share Final Reference Price, as applicable of such Fund or Share, as applicable as of the effective date of the de-listing or cancellation, pro rata to the remaining Funds or Shares, as applicable or (C) make such other adjustments to the Conditions as the Calculation Agent sees fit, acting in its absolute discretion.

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to the foregoing paragraph.

“**De-listing**” means, for the purpose of the foregoing paragraph, a Basket Constituent for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Basket Constituents are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Basket Constituent is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

(j) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any

such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED NOTES III

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Additional Market Disruption Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Basket Constituent**” means each Certificate, Commodity, FX Rate, Share, Fund (including, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the Reference Asset) or Index, as the case may be, specified as such in the definition of Basket, and “**Basket Constituents**” means each or all of the Certificates, Commodities, FX Rates, Shares, Funds (including, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the Reference Assets) and Indexes as the case may be;

“**Basket Constituent Currency**” means, in relation to each Basket Constituent in the applicable Final Terms, the currency specified as such in the definition of the Basket;

“**Basket Return**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Certificate**” means each certificate specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Certificate Final Reference Price**” (“**CertFRP**”) means in respect of each Certificate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Certificate Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“**Certificate Initial Reference Price**” (“**CertIRP**”) means, in respect of each Certificate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Certificate Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“**Certificate Reference Price**” means in respect of each Certificate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the price of the Certificate at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Certificate on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Certificate on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Certificate Return**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Commodity**” means each commodity specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Commodity Final Reference Price**” (“**CFRP**”) means in respect of each Commodity, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Commodity Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“**Commodity Initial Reference Price**” (“**CIRP**”) means, in respect of each Commodity, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Commodity Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“**Commodity Reference Price**” means in respect of each Commodity, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the price of the Commodity at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Commodity on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Commodity Return**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall

be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Exchange” means, (i) with respect to each Certificate, Commodity, Fund which is an exchange traded fund or Share, the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange or quotation system and (ii) with respect to each Index, each exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares that comprise the Index (the **“Index Shares”**) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, in relation to each Basket Constituent and where applicable, the rate of exchange between the relevant Basket Constituent Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonable determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Form**” means Global;

“**Fund**” means each fund (including exchange traded funds) specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Fund Administrator**” means, in respect of the Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“**Fund Adviser**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“**Fund Documents**” means, with respect to any Fund or Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“**Fund Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4(f) and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Fund Final Reference Price**” (“**FFRP**”) means in respect of each Fund, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Fund Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“**Fund Initial Reference Price**” (“**FIRP**”) means, in respect of each Fund, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms the Fund Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“**Fund Prospectus**” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“**Fund Reference Price**” means in respect of each Fund, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the NAV of such Fund as quoted by the fund manager or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, in each case at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction, or (if in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price on NAV (as the case may be) can be determined and no Emerging Market

Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of such Fund or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, in each case having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of such Fund or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Fund Return**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Fund Service Provider**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“**FX Rate**” means each rate of exchange specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the Screen Page (if any) or to such other sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**FX Rate Final Reference Price**” (“**FXFRP**”) means in respect of each FX Rate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the FX Rate Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“**FX Rate Initial Reference Price**” (“**FXIRP**”) means, in respect of each FX Rate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the FX Rate Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“**FX Rate Reference Price**” means in respect of each FX Rate, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the FX Rate at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the FX Rate on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported FX Rate and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**FX Rate Return**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Government Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with

the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“Hedging Agreement” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“Inclusion Date” means (i) in respect of the Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“Index” means each index specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“Index Final Reference Price” (“IFRP”) means in respect of each Index, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Index Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“Index Initial Reference Price” (“IIRP”) means, in respect of each Index, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Index Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“Index Reference Price” means in respect of each Index, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on a Trading Day, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Index Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Index Return” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (i) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index and (ii) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index on a regular basis during each Trading Day and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, the date specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 and, if such day is not a Trading Day, means the first

succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Basket Constituent in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (A) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (B) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Issuer Call Cash Amount having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent or, where the Basket Constituent is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf deems relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(k) shall apply and the Issuer Call Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Merger Event” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant

Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Participation**” means the amount specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, circumstances so required;

“**Reference Asset**” means the relevant interests specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the Applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 or, where the Reference Asset is not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Fund is not an exchange traded fund, the relevant interests in each Fund, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Real Estate Index Return**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Related Exchange**” means in respect of each Commodity, Share or each Index, an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Commodity, Shares or the Index are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including

but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Party**” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“**Replacement Fund**” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(k)(ii). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf;

“**Screen Page**” means each page, if any, specified as such in the definition of the Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to any such page which contains the same information;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, the Maturity Date or if later, the third Business Day following the Valuation Date or Issuer Call Date, as applicable;

“**Share**” means each share specified as such in the definition of Basket in the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and “**Shares**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Share Company**” means for each Share, the share company specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Share Final Reference Price**” (“**SFRP**”) means in respect of each Share, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Share Reference Price on the Valuation Date;

“**Share Initial Reference Price**” (“**SIRP**”) means, in respect of each Share, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Share Reference Price on the Pricing Date;

“**Share Reference Price**” means in respect of each Share, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the price determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of such Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Share Return**” means an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Substitution Date**” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“**Trading Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (i) with respect to each Certificate, Commodity or Share, any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time, (ii) with respect to a Fund, any day (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been a day) on which trading in the Fund or the Reference Asst, as applicable, can take place, (iii) with respect to an Index, any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules and (iv) with respect to an FX Rate, any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency;

“**Valuation Date**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day with respect to any Basket Constituent, in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the

Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Market Disruption Event unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the price, level or NAV, as applicable, having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Basket Constituent and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or

- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on that day in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(k) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Valuation Time” means (i) with respect to each Commodity and FX Rate at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, (ii) with respect to each Index the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the Index, (iii) with respect to each Certificate or Share, the official close of trading on the relevant Exchange and (iv) with respect to each Fund (other than those Funds which are exchange traded funds) the time with reference to which the fund manager publishes the NAV or value and (v) with respect to Funds which are exchange traded funds the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant series in the applicable Final Terms. All unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, such other time as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may select and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“Weight” means, for each Basket Constituent, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the **“Global Security”**) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or

other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**”

means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event or Fund Event, as applicable.
- (e) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following

Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.

- (f) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (g) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4 ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption in relation to a Commodity. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(a), a “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price for the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
 - (ii) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
 - (iii) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity on the Exchange; or
 - (iv) Material Change in nature of or pricing method. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of calculating the price of the Commodity; or
 - (v) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content, composition of the Commodity; or
 - (vi) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or, a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
 - (vii) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or
 - (viii) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect thereto on any exchange or principal trading market; or
 - (ix) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.
- (b) Market Disruption in relation to an FX Rate. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred. In this Product Condition 4(b), a “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (a) Price Source Disruption. If it becomes impossible to obtain any one or more FX Rates on the Valuation Date; or
- (b) Governmental Default. If with respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (c) Inconvertibility/non-transferrability. The occurrence of any event which (i) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in any one or more FX Rates through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of a Basket Constituent Currency or (ii) generally makes it impossible to deliver a Basket Constituent Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of that Basket Constituent Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Settlement Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (d) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalization or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates), of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of a Basket Constituent Currency; or
- (e) Illiquidity. Any impossibility in obtaining a firm quote for any one or more FX Rates or the Settlement Currency for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (f) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of a Basket Constituent Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of that Basket Constituent Currency; or

- (g) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of a Basket Constituent Currency; or
- (h) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of a Basket Constituent Currency; or
- (i) Other Events. Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

For this purpose a “**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of the Settlement Currency.

- (c) Market Disruption in relation to a Certificate and a Share. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(c), a “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (1) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):
 - (A) in the Shares or Certificates, as applicable, on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed; or
 - (B) in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the Shares or Certificates, as applicable, on any Related Exchange if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material; or
- (2) a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located.

For the purposes of this definition, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the Exchange or any Related Exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the Exchange or any Related Exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

- (d) Market Disruption in relation to an Index. The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(d), a “**Market Disruption Event**” means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (1) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
 - (2) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.
- (e) Potential Adjustment Events. Following a declaration by the issuer of the Certificates of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Certificates and, if so, will:

- (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
- (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Certificates traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

In this Product Condition 4(e), “**Potential Adjustment Event**” means any event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Certificates.

- (f) Potential Adjustment Events in relation to a Share. Following a declaration by the Share Company of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Share and, if so, will:
 - (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the Conditions as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect; and
 - (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment.

The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange. Upon making any such adjustment, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the adjustment to be made to the Conditions and giving brief details of the Potential Adjustment Event.

In this Product Condition 4(f), “**Potential Adjustment Event**” means any of the following: (A) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of such Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation, recapitalisation or similar issue; (B) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (aa) such Shares, or (bb) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Company equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (cc) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (cash or other) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Calculation Agent; (C)

an extraordinary dividend; (D) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (E) a call by the Share Company in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid; (F) a repurchase by the Share Company of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise; or (G) any other similar event that may have a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares.

- (g) De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency. If a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to the Share Company, the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion may take the action described in (1), (2) or (3) below:
- (1) require the Calculation Agent to determine in its sole and absolute discretion the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any of the other terms of these Conditions to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may (but is under no obligation to) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by any Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on such Related Exchange; or
 - (2) cancel the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are to be cancelled the Issuer will pay an amount to each Holder in respect of each Security held by him which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security (taking into account the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be)) on the day selected for cancellation as shall be selected by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion adjusted to account fully for any losses, expenses and costs to the Issuer and/or any affiliate of the Issuer of unwinding or adjusting any underlying or related hedging arrangements (including but not limited to any equity options or selling or otherwise realising any Shares or other instruments of any type whatsoever which the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may hold as part of such hedging arrangements), all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
 - (3) following any adjustment to the settlement of terms of options contracts or futures contracts or any other derivatives contracts on the Shares traded on any Related Exchange, require the Calculation Agent to make a corresponding adjustment to any

of the other terms of these Conditions, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Related Exchange. If options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Shares are not traded on the Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any of the other terms of these Conditions as the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion determines appropriate, with reference to the rules and precedents (if any) set by the Related Exchange to account for the De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Related Exchange if such options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts were so traded.

Upon the occurrence of a De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4, stating the occurrence of such De-listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation or Insolvency (as the case may be) and the action proposed to be taken in relation thereto.

“**De-listing**”, in this Product Condition 4(g) only, means a Share for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Share is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

“**Merger Date**” means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

“**Merger Event**”, in this Product Condition 4(g) only, means any (1) reclassification or change to the Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all or a majority of the outstanding Shares; (2) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of a Share Company with or into another entity (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Share Company is the continuing entity and which does not result in any such reclassification or change to all the outstanding Shares); or (3) take-over offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer a majority of the voting power of the Share Company to the offeror, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before the relevant Valuation Date.

“Nationalisation” means that all the Shares of a Share Company or all the assets or substantially all the assets of a Share Company are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority or entity.

“Insolvency” means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy or insolvency of or any analogous proceeding affecting a Share Company (1) all the Shares are required to be transferred to a receiver, trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (2) holders of the Shares of that Share Company become legally prohibited from transferring them.

(h) Potential Adjustment Events in relation to an Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.

(1) If any Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “Successor Sponsor”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the relevant Index, then (in either case) the relevant Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

(2) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating any Index or in any other way materially modifies an Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish any Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level for the relevant Index on the Valuation Date, the level for the relevant Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the relevant Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the relevant Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, shall deem such modified Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (3) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the relevant Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the relevant Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of (i) the Index Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Index Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Index Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Index Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Index Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Index Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Index Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Index Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Index Shares; and (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Index Shares.
- (4) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be

required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

(i) Adjustments to the Basket

If a De-Listing occurs with respect to a Fund, Certificate or a Share, as applicable or a Fund, Certificate or Share, as applicable is for any reason cancelled or ceases to exist, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace the de-listed or cancelled Fund, Certificate or Share, as applicable by a successor fund, certificate or share, as applicable which has in the determination of the Calculation Agent the same or substantially similar structure and a substantially similar economic impact, and is linked to the same asset as such Fund, Certificate or Share, as applicable (B) remove the de-listed or cancelled Fund, Certificate or Share, as applicable and allocate the Fund Final Reference, Certificate Final Reference Price or Share Final Reference Price, as applicable of such Fund, Certificate or Share, as applicable as of the effective date of the de-listing or cancellation, pro rata to the remaining Funds, Certificates or Shares, as applicable or (C) make such other adjustments to the Conditions as the Calculation Agent sees fit, acting in its absolute discretion.

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made pursuant to the foregoing paragraph.

“**De-listing**” means, for the purpose of the foregoing paragraph, a Basket Constituent for any reason ceases to be listed or is suspended from listing on the Exchange or any other exchanges on which the Basket Constituents are listed (and such cessation or suspension is continuing and such Basket Constituent is not subsequently listed or quoted on another stock exchange or quotation system acceptable to the Issuer).

(j) Fund Events. Each of the following events constitutes a “Fund Event”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

(i) Global Events:

- (A) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund's portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.
- (B) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.
- (C) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in

making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.

- (D) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.
- (E) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(j)(i)(E)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(j)(i)(E)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy

or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(j)(i)(E)(a) through 4(j)(i)(E)(f) above.

- (F) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (G) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (H) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
- (I) In respect of any Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (J) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf

determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Reference Assets held by them.

- (K) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
 - (L) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.
- (ii) NAV/Price and Reporting:
- (A) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Reference Assets on the Exchange.
 - (B) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.

- (C) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefor set out in such documents.
- (D) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.
- (E) (i) In respect of any Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties

and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Reference Assets).

(iii) Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Reference Assets occurs:

- (A) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (B) a portion of each Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of "side-pocket" which affects the Reference Assets;
- (C) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
- (D) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund;
or

(iv) Trading and Fees:

- (A) In respect of the Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider

on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Reference Assets as of such date).

- (B) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.
- (C) The frequency at which Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
- (D) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:
 - (I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or
 - (II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.
- (v) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:
 - (A) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.
 - (B) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.

- (C) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.
- (D) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Reference Assets.
- (vi) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in sub-paragraphs (i) to (v) above.

(k) Consequences of a Fund Event.

In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a “**Permitted Action**”):

- (i) (A) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (B) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
- (ii) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (A) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (B) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (C) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation

methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or

- (iii) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iv) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (A) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (B) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (A) or (B) of this clause 4(k)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (C) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (A), (B) or (C), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(j), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

- (l) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:
- (i) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price, as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.
 - (ii) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
 - (iii) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or

opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.

- (m) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO FUND LINKED NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Additional Fund Events**” means those events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Agent**” means the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“Emerging Market Disruption Event” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) **Illiquidity.** It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) **Change in Law.** A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or

- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to that exchange or quotation system;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the NAV of each Fund as quoted by the fund manager of the Fund or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, in each case for each Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price or NAV can be determined and no Emerging Market Disruption Event or Fund Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its estimate of the NAV of the Fund or, where such Fund is an exchange traded fund, the trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, in each case for such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Fund**” means each fund specified as such in the definition of Basket in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Fund Administrator**” means, in respect of the Fund, the fund administrator, manager, trustee or similar person with the primary administrative responsibilities for such Fund according to the Fund Documents;

“**Fund Adviser**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person appointed in the role of discretionary investment manager or non-discretionary investment adviser (including a non-discretionary investment adviser to a discretionary investment manager or to another non-discretionary investment adviser) for such Fund;

“**Fund Documents**” means, with respect to any Fund or Reference Asset, the constitutive and governing documents, subscription agreements and other agreements of the related Fund or Reference Asset specifying the terms and conditions relating to such Fund or Reference Asset and which shall include any Hedging Agreement, each as amended from time to time;

“**Fund Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4 and any Additional Fund Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Fund Prospectus**” means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Fund and, in relation to any Replacement Fund, means the disclosure document howsoever described prepared in connection with the marketing of the Replacement Fund and that, as of the Inclusion Date, was the most recent version thereof, each as amended from time to time;

“**Fund Service Provider**” means, in respect of any Fund, any person who is appointed to provide services, directly or indirectly, for that Fund, whether or not specified in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus, including but not limited to any Fund Adviser, Fund Administrator, operator, management company, depository, custodian, sub-custodian, prime broker, trustee, registrar and transfer agent or domiciliary agent;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Hedging Agreement**” means any agreement, whether by way of side letter or otherwise, in respect of any hedging arrangement entered into between: (a) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider; and (b) the Fund, the Fund Adviser, any other Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund;

“**Inclusion Date**” means (i) in respect of the Fund, the Issue Date and (ii) in respect of any Replacement Fund, means the Substitution Date of that Fund;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means the level specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, the date specified as such in the notice delivered by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3 or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, means the first

succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, either:

- (i) An Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Issuer Call Cash Amount having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on that day, in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(c) shall apply and the Issuer Call Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Merger Event” means, in respect of any relevant shares, units or interests issued by a Relevant Party, any (i) reclassification or change of such shares, units or interests that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such shares, units or interests outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of such Relevant Party with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which such Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such shares, units or interests outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests of such Relevant Party that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such shares, units or interests (other than such shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the Relevant

Party or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Relevant Party is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such shares, units or interests outstanding but results in the outstanding shares, units or interests (other than shares, units or interests owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding shares, units or interests immediately following such event;

“**NAV**” means net asset value;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Portfolio Guidelines**” means the investment guidelines and restrictions specified in respect of a Fund and as set out in the relevant Fund Prospectus and/or the relevant Fund Documents;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, circumstances so required;

“**Reference Asset**” means the relevant interests specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the Applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 or, where the Reference Asset is not specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and the Fund is not an exchange traded fund, the relevant interests in each Fund, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Related Exchange**” means, with respect to a Fund which is an exchange traded fund, an options or future exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the relevant Fund are traded;

“**Reference Banks**” means the entities, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American

Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Party**” means each of the Fund and the Fund Adviser;

“**Replacement Fund**” means, in relation to a Fund, the fund selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf to replace that Fund in accordance with clause 4(c)(ii). Such Replacement Fund will have a similar risk profile as the Fund replaced, as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf.

“**Screen Page**” means each page, if any, specified as such in the definition of Underlying Rate for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to any such page which contains the same information;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the fund notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, the Maturity Date or if later, the third Business Day following the Valuation Date;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Substitution Date**” means, in relation to a Fund, the date selected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf for the replacement of the Fund by a Replacement Fund;

“**Trading Day**” means (i) in respect of a Fund, any day on which dealing in the Fund can take place (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have taken place) and (ii) in respect of a Fund that is an exchange traded fund any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Fund Event, would have been) a trading day on

each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Rate**” means each rate, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the Screen Page (if any) unless in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred, in which case the underlying rate shall be calculated in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Underlying Rate Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf either:

- (i) An Emerging Market Disruption Event has occurred on any such day, in which case the applicable Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is no Emerging Market Disruption Event, unless the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that there is an Emerging Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Emerging Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Emerging Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported NAV of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange, and such other factors as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines to be relevant; or
- (ii) a Fund Event has occurred on that day in which case the provisions of Product Condition 4(c) shall apply and the Valuation Date shall be adjusted accordingly;

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, for each Fund, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depository for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised

Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Fund Event.

- (e) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (f) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (g) **Settlement Risk.** Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4 ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

In this Product Condition 4(a), a “**Market Disruption Event**” means the situation in which an Underlying Rate is not available on the relevant Screen Page, in which case the relevant rate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent on the basis of quotations for the relevant rate, or such other related rate as the Calculation Agent shall in its sole and absolute discretion specify, provided by the Reference Banks at the applicable time for the relevant day. The Issuer will request each Reference Bank to provide a quotation of the relevant rate. If at least three quotations are provided, the relevant rate will be the arithmetic mean of the quotations, eliminating the highest quotation (or in the event of equality, one of the highest) and the lowest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest). If it is not possible to obtain quotations of the relevant rate by at least three of the Reference Banks then the Calculation Agent will determine the relevant Underlying Rate at its sole and absolute discretion.

- (b) **Fund Events.** Each of the following events constitutes a “**Fund Event**”. The Fund Events are for the benefit of the Issuer in order that the Issuer is protected against any adverse effects of such Fund Events on its Hedge Position. The Issuer, or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, shall make all determinations in respect of such Fund Events including as to whether such Fund Event has occurred and the effective date of such occurrence. In order to constitute a Fund Event, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf must conclude that the event in question either has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in an adverse effect on the value of the Reference Assets or the NAV of the Fund or on the rights of any investor therein with respect to the Reference Assets or the Fund or otherwise has materially adversely affected its Hedge Position.

- (i) **Global Events:**

- (A) Any of: (a) the investment strategy and/or the investment objective of the Fund has changed so that it is materially different from that applicable at its Inclusion Date or (b) a material change has been made to the underlying nature, strategy or risk of the Fund’s portfolio from that which prevailed at its Inclusion Date and that is over and above that expected by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf as of the Inclusion Date with respect to the trading strategies employed by the Fund as of that date or (c) the operation or organisation of the Fund or the Fund Adviser (including, without limitation, its organisational structure and its procedures, processes

or policies in respect of investment selection, due diligence, asset allocation, risk management or investment monitoring) has changed from that at the Inclusion Date or are other than as represented at such Inclusion Date or (d) any such procedures, processes or policies as are referred to in (c) above are either not being applied or are not being applied consistently with their application on the Inclusion Date or (e) an event or change affecting any of the structure, ownership, management or reputation or liquidity of the Fund or the Reference Assets and/or any other units in the capital of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider occurs or (f) any other amendments, changes, modifications or variations are made after the Inclusion Date to any of the Fund Documents, the Fund Prospectus or the Portfolio Guidelines.

- (B) (a) the Fund is not being managed in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, and no action satisfactory to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf has been taken by the Fund or any person on its behalf with a view towards correcting such breach within five calendar days from the date on which the Fund was notified of the breach, or (b) any event occurs which causes, or will with the passage of time (in the opinion of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) cause, the failure of the Fund and/or any Fund Service Provider to meet or maintain any obligation or undertaking under the Fund Documents.
- (C) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that (a) the obligations of any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider or the directors of the Fund under any Hedging Agreement do not comprise legal, valid and binding obligations of such person, enforceable in accordance with their terms or (b) any of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider was acting outside its powers or authority in executing any Hedging Agreement or in making any agreement or undertaking therein. Each of (a) and (b) shall be conclusively presumed to be the case if the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is advised that such is the case by reputable legal counsel having expertise in such matters.
- (D) The activities of the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents are placed under review or become subject to any investigation, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority or court

of competent jurisdiction and/or are subject to any charges or actions by any governmental, legal, administrative or regulatory authority for reasons of wrongdoing, suspected wrongdoing, alleged engagement in fraudulent activities, breach of any rule or regulation or other similar reason and/or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider and/or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents have any of their respective registrations, approvals, authorisations, licences or memberships with any administrative or regulatory authorities revoked, suspended, terminated, limited or qualified.

- (E) Written notification is given by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (or any person acting on behalf thereof) to holders of Reference Assets or to the Fund Administrator of a proposed cessation of operation of the Fund or the Fund or any Fund Service Provider (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding-up, official liquidation; (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors; (c) (I) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (II) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause 4(b)(i)(E)(c)(I) above and in the case of this clause 4(b)(i)(E)(c)(II) either (x) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (y) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof; (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial part of its assets; (e) any security granted by the Fund or any Fund Service Provider over any of its assets is enforced or becomes capable of being enforced or any arrangement which in the

determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf is comparable to security over any such assets (including without limitation any repurchase agreement or prime brokerage arrangement) becomes enforceable or capable of early termination or any derivatives, repurchase agreement, securities lending or other trading or dealing arrangement relating to the assets of the Fund becomes enforceable or capable of early termination by reason of any event of default (howsoever described) relating to the Fund or the relevant Fund Service Provider; or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses 4(b)(i)(E)(a) through 4(b)(i)(E)(f) above.

- (F) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider becomes party to any litigation or dispute.
- (G) Any Merger Event occurs or is threatened.
- (H) The Fund or any Fund Service Provider has experienced or is experiencing a material adverse change in its business, assets, operations or financial condition which adversely impacts its ability to provide services to the Fund and/or the quality of such services.
- (I) In respect of any Reference Assets, any fraudulent or negligent entry is made on the register of such Reference Assets maintained by or on behalf of the Fund or there is a reduction in the number of such Reference Assets held for the account of any investor in the Fund for reasons beyond the control of that investor.
- (J) (a) any change occurs in the legal, tax, accounting or regulatory treatment of (i) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (ii) the Fund or any Fund Service Provider, in each case from that which was applicable at the Inclusion Date or (b) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that any of Issuer, its affiliates or any Hedge Provider is or may in the future be unable, or it may be unduly onerous or impractical for any such entity, to perform any obligation (including, without limitation, any regulatory or accounting reporting obligation) imposed on any such entity by the law or regulation of any relevant jurisdiction, any relevant regulatory or administrative body or any court of competent jurisdiction, in each case by reason of its investment in the Fund or the Reference Assets or (c) the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider deems it necessary or

appropriate, in order to comply with or remain within (i) any applicable legal and/or regulatory limits on the amounts of Reference Assets that it may hold and/or (ii) any internal exposure limits governing the maximum exposure (direct and indirect) that the Issuer, any relevant affiliate or the Hedge Provider as the case may be, is permitted to have to the Fund, to redeem all or some of the Reference Assets held by them.

- (K) A cross-contamination or other failure effectively to segregate the portfolio of assets occurs between different series, classes and/or sub-funds in relation to the Fund (if the Fund is part of an umbrella structure with more than one sub-fund).
 - (L) A significant market, trading or exchange disruption and/or crisis in the major financial markets occurs.
- (ii) NAV/Price and Reporting:
- (A) There is (a) a failure to calculate and/or publish the NAV of the Fund on any day on which such calculation or publication was scheduled to be made in accordance with the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) a failure to calculate and publish the NAV of the Fund with the frequency set out in the Fund Documents and/or the Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (c) where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, a failure to publish the trading price of the Reference Assets on the Exchange.
 - (B) (a) Any change is made to the methodology used for calculating either the NAV of the Fund or any estimate of the NAV of the Fund from that which prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) there is a failure to calculate and deliver any estimate of the NAV of the Fund in accordance with the timing within which such information has previously been provided to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider.
 - (C) (a) The time delay between calculation of the NAV (or any estimated NAV) of the Fund and the publication of such NAV (or estimated NAV) is changed so that it is no longer the same as set out in the Fund Prospectus as it prevailed on the Inclusion Date or (b) any other information relating to the Fund that was specified to be published in accordance with the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus as they respectively prevailed on the Inclusion Date is not published in accordance with the timetable therefor set out in such documents.

- (D) The audited NAV of the Fund varies by more than 0.50 per cent. from the related NAV previously published by or on behalf of the Fund, or the auditors of the Fund qualify any audit report, or refuse to provide an unqualified audit report, in respect of the Fund, or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers that the unaudited official NAV of the Fund published by or on behalf of the Fund in respect of any date does not reflect the NAV of such Fund as it would have been determined by the independent auditors of that Fund using the generally accepted accounting standards adopted by the Fund.
- (E) (i) In respect of any Reference Asset, the occurrence of any event affecting such Reference Asset that, in the determination of the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, would make it impossible or impracticable for the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to determine the value of such Reference Asset, and the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such event will not be, or has not been, resolved within 15 calendar days from the occurrence of such event; (ii) any failure of the Fund, any Fund Service Provider or any director of the Fund to deliver, or cause to be delivered, (A) information that such person has agreed to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, any information required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in the execution of its duties and obligations under the Securities or required by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities) or (B) information that has been previously delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, any of the Issuer's affiliates or any Hedge Provider, in accordance with such person's, or its authorised representative's, normal practice and that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems necessary for it to perform its duties and obligations under the Securities or that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent deems is required by it in order to determine whether any Fund Event has occurred or to make any other determination permitted by it in respect of the Securities (including, in either case, monitoring the Fund's compliance with any Portfolio Guidelines, asset allocation methodologies, the occurrence of any Fund Event or any other similar policies relating to such Reference Assets).

- (iii) Reference Assets:

Any of the following events relating to the Reference Assets occurs:

- (A) a subdivision, reclassification or distribution of Reference Assets which has a diluting or concentrative or other effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
 - (B) a portion of each Reference Asset is converted (whether by way of redemption and re-issue or otherwise) into new securities participating in the capital of the Fund, which securities are subject to lock-up periods during which they may not be redeemed and which relate to any segregated assets of the Fund, or the Fund creates any other form of “side-pocket” which affects the Reference Assets;
 - (C) a (i) dividend (including cash and whether ordinary or extraordinary), (ii) distribution or (iii) issue of Reference Assets, capital, securities, rights or other assets or interests to existing holders of Reference Assets which has or is likely to have an adverse effect on the value (theoretical or otherwise) of the Reference Assets;
 - (D) any suspension or limitation on the trading of the relevant currencies in which the Reference Assets are denominated or any amendment to the currency of denomination of the Reference Assets so that their price is no longer calculated in the same currency as at the Inclusion Date of the Fund;
or
- (iv) Trading and Fees:
- (A) In respect of the Reference Assets, the Fund or any Fund Service Provider increases the level of any redemption fee, subscription fee, management fee, performance fee or a bid/offer spread (or other charge however described) above the level that would have been applicable to any Reference Assets held by any of the Issuer, any affiliate of the Issuer or any Hedge Provider on the Inclusion Date (regardless of whether any such person actually holds any Reference Assets as of such date).
 - (B) Any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of the Fund or on trading in the Reference Assets (for any reason, including, without limitation, by reason of liquidity restrictions) or any dealing request made by any investor or prospective investor in the Fund or the Reference Assets is deferred in whole or in part or is made at a value other than the related NAV or price, as applicable.

- (C) The frequency at which Reference Assets can be traded is amended or the timing for subscription or redemption of Reference Assets is amended, in each case so that it is no longer that specified in the Fund Documents and/or Fund Prospectus as they prevailed on the Inclusion Date, including, without limitation, an amendment to the timetable for payment of redemption proceeds upon redemption.
- (D) If any of the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider redeems Reference Assets or is entitled to any other amount and:
 - (I) does not receive the full proceeds of such redemption or amount in cash in accordance with the timing set out in the Fund Documents or the Fund Prospectus; or
 - (II) receives any in-kind distribution in full or part satisfaction of the redemption proceeds or such other amount paid or payable to it,
 or the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that either (I) or (II) above would be applicable were the Issuer, any of its affiliates or any Hedge Provider to redeem Reference Assets or be entitled to actual payment of any such other amount.
- (v) Fund Adviser and Fund Service Provider Failures:
 - (A) The Fund Adviser indicates or acknowledges that in its opinion the strategy/investment objective of the Fund will not be, or is no longer able to be, met.
 - (B) Any representations, covenants or agreements of the Fund Adviser under the investment management agreement or investment advisory agreement (howsoever described) relating to the Fund have been breached and not cured.
 - (C) Any of: (a) the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of the Fund Adviser from its role as such occurs or the resignation, termination of appointment or replacement of any other Fund Service Provider from its role as such occurs with respect to the Fund or (b) any change in the personnel of any Fund Service Provider occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf considers materially adversely affects the ability of such Fund Service Provider to carry out its duties with respect to the Fund.

- (D) The Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf becomes aware of any failure by the Fund or any person on its behalf to disclose to the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf, on or before the Inclusion Date, any information, event or circumstance that was in existence on such date and that would have been necessary to enable the Issuer or the Calculation Agent to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position and prospects of the Fund and of the rights attaching to the Reference Assets.
- (vi) General: Any other event occurs which the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines is analogous to any of the events specified in sub-paragraphs (i) to (v) above.
- (c) Consequences of a Fund Event.

In respect of each Fund Event, following the occurrence of such an event (and regardless of whether or not such event is then continuing) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may take any of following actions (each, a “**Permitted Action**”):

- (i) (A) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for the economic effect on the Securities of such Fund Event and (B) determine the effective date of the relevant adjustments; or
- (ii) select a Replacement Fund and a Substitution Date. Following any such selection (A) the Replacement Fund shall replace the affected Fund on the Substitution Date, (B) references herein to the name of the affected Fund shall be deemed to be references to the name of the Replacement Fund with effect from the Substitution Date and (C) the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustment as it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions in relation to the Securities to reflect such substitution; or
- (iii) accelerate all, but not some only, of the Securities, on the date notified to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; or
- (iv) make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines are necessary to reflect a notional liquidation of all of the Reference Assets (with the timing of such notional liquidations being the same timing as would be the case on an actual liquidation of

Reference Assets at the relevant time) and a notional investment of the liquidation proceeds in either (A) a zero coupon bond, or equivalent, such that the amount payable at redemption of such zero coupon bond is at least an amount per Security equal to the Issue Price of the Security or, where this is not possible or practicable (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf) or (B) an interest bearing deposit bearing interest at prevailing rates that would be offered by the Issuer in respect of such a deposit as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf or, if it is not possible or practicable to comply with subclauses (A) or (B) of this clause 4(c)(iv) (as determined by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf), (C) commercial paper rated at least A1/P1 or above by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (any transaction costs that would be incurred in respect of an actual such investment may be notionally charged to the Securities) (any of (A), (B) or (C), a "**Suspension Asset**").

Notwithstanding that the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may have previously determined not to take a Permitted Action, or to take one Permitted Action, it shall not be prevented from subsequently or concurrently deciding to adopt an additional or different Permitted Action in respect of the same Fund Event (whether on one or any number of occasions). In such respect, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement or payment terms or any other terms and conditions of the Securities as it determines appropriate to account for the decision subsequently or concurrently made.

Notwithstanding anything in this sub-paragraph 4(b), neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to determine that a Fund Event has occurred or to take any or all of the Permitted Actions. Any determinations made by the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf in respect of any of the Permitted Actions shall, in the absence of manifest error, be binding.

(d) Fund Event Methodology and Determinations:

- (i) If, in respect of any determination or calculation hereunder which is made by reference to an official or estimated NAV of a Fund provided or published by or on behalf of the Fund or, where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, the last reported trading price of the Reference Asset on the Exchange in respect of a particular date, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines that such value does not fairly represent the value of the Fund or Reference Asset as of such date, or that no such value is provided or published, then the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may use such other value as it determines as representing a fair NAV or price,

as applicable, as of such date or, alternatively, may use a preceding official or estimated value where it believes that such preceding official or estimated value gives a fairer representation than the more recent figure.

- (ii) Should the Fund operate equalisation procedures in respect of performance or incentive based fees, the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf may make such adjustments to these Product Conditions as the Issuer or the Calculation Agent on its behalf determines appropriate to account for such equalisation in an equitable manner and, where such equalisation procedures operate by the issuance of different classes of shares in the Fund, then each of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent is permitted to deem any notional subscription or redemption on behalf of the Securities to be in such order and in respect of such classes as appear to it to be equitable and reasonable or to deem the return of such shares to be based on a benchmark or average of the different classes.
- (e) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other Condition, the Issuer and the Calculation Agent on its behalf shall be entitled to make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision with regard to a Fund Event and, without limitation, may make such determination, waiver, declaration or decision by reference to the establishment, operation and/or efficacy (whether actual or anticipated) of any Relevant Hedging Transaction. Neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent is under any obligation to monitor or determine whether or not a Fund Event has occurred and will not be required to, and will not be responsible for any failure to, make any determination, waiver, declaration or decision whatsoever in relation to a Fund Event. In making or omitting to make any such determination, waiver, declaration or decision, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any fiduciary duty towards the Holders and, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent shall be responsible for any loss, underperformance or opportunity cost suffered or incurred by Holders in connection with the Securities as a result thereof, howsoever arising.
- (f) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO BASKET RELATED CAPITAL PROTECTED NOTES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means each of the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and together the “**Agents**”, which expression shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Bond Index Component Performance**” means (if applicable) the performance of the Bond Index Components determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Business Day**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses.

The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent(s) and clearing system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Commodity**” means each commodity (if any) specified as such in the definition of Commodity Component specified in the definition of Basket, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Commodity Component Performance**” means (if applicable) the performance of the Commodity Components determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Commodity Reference Price**” means in relation to each Commodity and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Commodity on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on a Valuation Date, the Interim Amount Cash Settlement Date or the Issuer Call Date, as applicable, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the Commodity Reference Price on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall

be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or

- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“Exchange” means, in relation to each Commodity (if applicable), the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the definition of Basket or any successor to such exchange or quotation system and, in relation to each Index (if applicable), the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares or other securities that comprise the Index (the “Shares”) to compute the Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“Expenses” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“Final Terms” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means each index (if any) specified as such in the definition of Index Component, Real Estate Index Component and Bond Index Component, in each case if applicable, specified in the definition of Basket, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Index Component Performance**” means (if applicable) the performance of the Index Components determined in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Index Reference Price**” means, in relation to each Index and unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on a Valuation Date, Interim Amount Cash Settlement Date or Issuer Call Date, as applicable, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Initial Commodity Reference Price**” means, in relation to each Commodity and unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount equal to the price of the Commodity on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of such Commodity on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Initial Index Reference Price**” means, in relation to each Index and unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“Interest Rate” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate (if any) specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Rate Day Count Fraction” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interim Cash Settlement Amount” means, if “Interim Cash Settlement Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent on the Interim Cash Settlement Valuation Date in accordance with the formula set out in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses;

The Interim Cash Settlement Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Interim Cash Settlement Amount Payment Date” means, if “Interim Cash Settlement Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, three Business Days following the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date;

“Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date” means, if “Interim Cash Settlement Amount” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, or if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market

Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case, the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Reference Price (if applicable) or the Commodity Reference Price (if applicable) as the case may be, having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity (if applicable) and the Shares (if applicable) on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“Maturity Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Nominal Amount” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Payment Day” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“Pricing Date” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“Real Estate Index Component Performance” means (if applicable) the performance of the Real Estate Index Components determined in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Related Exchange” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Commodity (if applicable) or on the Index (if applicable) are traded;

“Relevant Currency” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“Relevant Currency Exchange Rate” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of basket related capital protected notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series;

“**Series**” means the series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in relation to each Index (if applicable), any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules and, in relation to each Commodity (if applicable), any day that is (or but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or if such day is not a Trading Day the next succeeding Trading Day unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (a) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Reference Price (if applicable) or the Commodity Reference Price (if applicable) as the case may be, having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity (if applicable) or the Shares (if applicable) on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“Valuation Time” means:

- (a) unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (i) with respect to Oil (if specified as applicable in the definition of Commodity Component specified in the definition of Basket), the close settlement price per barrel of West Texas Intermediate light sweet crude oil on the NYMEX of the first WTI light sweet crude oil futures contract and in the case of each Commodity, such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
 - (ii) with respect to Natural Gas (if specified as applicable in the definition of Commodity Component specified in the definition of Basket), the close settlement price per one million British thermal units (MMBTU) of Natural Gas on the NYMEX of the first Henry Hub Natural Gas Futures Contract and in the case of each Commodity, such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
 - (iii) with respect to Aluminium (if specified as applicable in the definition of Commodity Component specified in the definition of Basket), and Copper (if specified as applicable in the definition of Commodity Component specified in the definition of Basket), the close of the second ring session on the Exchange and in the case of each Commodity, such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
 - (iv) with respect to each Index (if specified as applicable in the definition of Commodity Component specified in the definition of Basket), the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the relevant Index or such other time as the Issuer may determine in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and
- (b) with respect to any other component to the Basket, the time specified as such in the applicable Final Terms; and

“Weight” means for each Commodity (if applicable) and each Index (if applicable) the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the **“Global Security”**) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or

the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular Nominal Amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the Nominal Amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such Nominal Amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer, in respect of each Nominal Amount, at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being applicable in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction and is payable on each Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be.
- (d) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.

- (e) **Payment Day.** If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (f) **General.** In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Interest Amount, Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interim Cash Settlement Amount.
- (g) **Settlement Risk.** Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (h) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (i) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

A “**Market Disruption Event**” relating to a Commodity (if applicable) means:

- (i) **Price Source Disruption.** The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price for the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (ii) **Trading Suspension.** The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (iii) **Disappearance of Price.** The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (iv) **Material Change in Formula.** The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (v) **Material Change in Content.** The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content or composition of the Commodity; or
- (vi) **De Minimis Trading.** The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or, a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (vii) **Tax Disruption.** The imposition of, change in, or removal of an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date, the relevant Valuation Date or the Final Valuation Date as the case may be and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date, the relevant Valuation Date or the Final Valuation Date as the case may be from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (viii) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect thereto on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (ix) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or Related Exchange is located; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

A “**Market Disruption Event**” relating to an Index (if applicable) means:

- (i) the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise);
 - (ii) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or
 - (iii) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index. In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.
- (b) Adjustments to the Commodity (if applicable) and the Index (if applicable)
- (1) If a Commodity (an “**Affected Commodity**”) for any reason ceases to exist, the Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion to either (A) replace that Affected Commodity by a successor commodity which has in the determination of the Calculation Agent the same or substantially similar structure and a substantially

similar economic impact as such Affected Commodity and is of a similar type to such Affected Commodity or (B) remove the Affected Commodity from the Basket and allocate the price of such Affected Commodity, pro rata to the remaining Commodities in the Basket.

- (2) Adjustments to the Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) below.
- (i) If any Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “Successor Sponsor”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the relevant Index, then (in either case) the relevant Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
- (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date, the relevant Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date as the case may be the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating any Index or in any other way materially modifies an Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date, the relevant Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date as the case may be the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish any Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the level of the Index using, in lieu of a published level for the relevant Index on the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date, the relevant Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date as the case may be, the level for the relevant Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the relevant Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the relevant Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, shall deem such modified Index to be the

Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

- (iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the relevant Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the relevant Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of (i) the Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from but including the Issue Date up to and excluding the Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date, the relevant Valuation Date or the Issuer Call Date as the case may be; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; and (H) any other similar event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.
- (iv) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding

any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the Exchange.

The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any such determination and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

**CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO COMMODITY NOTES**

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Commodity**” means each commodity specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Commodity Performance**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

(Final Reference Price / Initial Reference Price) -1 x (IER/FER);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) **Moratorium.** A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) **Price Source Disruption.** It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) **Governmental Default.** With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) **Inconvertibility/non-transferability.** The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) **Nationalisation.** Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) **Illiquidity.** It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or

- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means, with respect to each Commodity, the exchange specified as such in the definition of “Basket” or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or any successor to such exchange;

“**Exchange Rate**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the mid price of the rate of exchange between the Underlying Currency and the Settlement Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Exchange Rate**” (“**FER**”) means the Exchange Rate on the Valuation Date;

“**Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the price of the Commodity on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Commodity on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Form**” means Global;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Initial Exchange Rate**” (“**IER**”) means the Exchange Rate on the Pricing Date;

“**Initial Reference Price**” means, unless specified otherwise in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, an amount, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4, equal to the price of the Commodity on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing on such date) a price determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Commodity on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“**Interest Amount**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“**Interest Payment Dates**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Period**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate per annum specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the termination of the Securities by the Issuer in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Cash Amount” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the amount specified, or determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of Issuer Call Cash Amount for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Issuer Call Cash Amount payable to a Holder shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“Issuer Call Commencement Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Issuer Call Date” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Issuer Call Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been an Issuer Call Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Issuer Call Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Issuer Call Cash Amount having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant or, if no such date is specified, in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3(b);

“Issuer Call Notice Period” means, if “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Market Disruption Event” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Events specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maturity Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Participation**” means the rate specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so require;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Commodity are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American Depositary Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depositary Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means, each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Business Days**” means the number of Business Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the notes relating to each Commodity specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each Series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the Maturity Date or if later, the Relevant Number of Business Days following the Valuation Date;

“**Standard Currency**” means unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day on each Exchange or Related Exchange other than a day on which trading on the Exchange or Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

“**Underlying Currency**” means each currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if such date is not a Trading Day, the first Trading Day thereafter unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Commodity on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Valuation Time**” means at or around the time specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4; and

“**Weight**” means, unless for the relevant Series “Basket” is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being “Not Applicable”, for each Commodity, the percentage specified as such in the definition of Basket of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depositary for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.
- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or (ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer, in respect of each Nominal Amount, at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Issuer Call. If “Issuer Call” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part, on any Issuer Call Date at the Issuer Call Cash Amount by giving Holders at least the Issuer Call Notice Period notice of its intention to redeem the Securities, such notice to be given at any time from (and including) the Issuer Call Commencement Date. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of General Condition 4 and shall specify the Issuer Call Date.
- (c) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the

Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.

- (e) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be, in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (f) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and, in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (g) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent, or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount, any Issuer Call Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (h) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.
- (i) Method of Payment. Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if

applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.

- (j) Presentation and Surrender. The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) Market Disruption. The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

A “**Market Disruption Event**” means:

- (i) Price Source Disruption. The failure by the Exchange to announce or publish the price for the Commodity (or the information necessary for determining such price), or the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of such price by the Exchange; or
- (ii) Trading Suspension. The material suspension of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange; or
- (iii) Disappearance of Price. The failure of trading to commence, or the permanent discontinuation of trading of the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (iv) Material Change in nature of or pricing method. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the basis for (including but not limited to the quantity, quality or currency), or method of calculating the price of the Commodity; or
- (v) Material Change in Content. The occurrence, since the Issue Date, of a material change in the content, composition of the Commodity; or
- (vi) De Minimis Trading. The number of contracts traded on the Exchange with respect to the Commodity is such that the Issuer declares that its ability to enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Commodity has been impaired due to a lack of, or, a material reduction in, trading in the Commodity on the Exchange; or
- (vii) Tax Disruption. The imposition of, change in, or removal of an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, the Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to, overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date, if the direct effect of such imposition, change or removal is to

raise or lower the price of the Commodity on the Valuation Date and/or on each of the three Trading Days following the Valuation Date from what it would have been without that imposition, change or removal; or

- (viii) Trading Limitation. The material limitation imposed on trading in the Commodity with respect to it or any contract with respect thereto on any exchange or principal trading market; or
- (ix) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities.

- (b) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

CONDITIONS: PRODUCT CONDITIONS
RELATING TO INDEX AND INFLATION INDEX NOTES

The Product Conditions which follow relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the applicable Final Terms and the General Conditions (whether or not attached to this document). The applicable Final Terms, the Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be printed on any Definitive Securities and attached to any Global Security representing the Securities. The Final Terms applicable to each Series may specify amendments to the General Conditions and/or the relevant Product Conditions as they apply to that Series.

1. DEFINITIONS

“**Agent**” means the Principal Agent and Agent(s), each as specified in the applicable Final Terms, and/or The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, 8022 Zurich, Switzerland (the “**Swiss Agent**”), each acting through its specified office and, together, the “**Agents**” shall include any other Agent appointed pursuant to the provisions of General Condition 12;

“**Basket**” means, unless Basket is specified as Not Applicable in the applicable Final Terms, the basket specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4;

“**Business Day**” means, unless specified otherwise in the applicable Final Terms, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business;

“**Cash Amount**” means an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, less Expenses. The Cash Amount shall be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

“**Clearing Agent**” means each clearing agent and clearance system specified as such in the applicable Final Terms and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a “**Clearing Agent**” and together the “**Clearing Agents**”);

“**Coupon**” means, if the Securities are interest bearing, an interest coupon attached to each Security (if in definitive form) (if any) representing an entitlement in respect of an Interest Amount;

“**Emerging Market Disruption Event**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each of the following events:

- (i) Moratorium. A general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which the Exchange or any Related Exchange is located or in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (ii) Price Source Disruption. It becomes impossible to obtain the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate on any relevant date, in the inter-bank market; or
- (iii) Governmental Default. With respect to any security or indebtedness for money borrowed or guaranteed by any Governmental Authority, there occurs a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (howsoever described) including, but not limited to, (A) the failure of timely payment in full of principal, interest or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee, (B) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation or rescheduling of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee or (C) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. The determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such Governmental Authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness for money borrowed or guarantee; or
- (iv) Inconvertibility/non-transferability. The occurrence of any event which (A) generally makes it impossible to convert the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate through customary legal channels for conducting such conversion in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or (B) generally makes it impossible to deliver the Relevant Currency from accounts in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency to accounts outside such jurisdiction or the Relevant Currency between accounts in such jurisdiction or to a party that is a non-resident of such jurisdiction; or
- (v) Nationalisation. Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by any Governmental Authority which deprives the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) of all or substantially all of its assets in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or
- (vi) Illiquidity. It is impossible to obtain a firm quote for the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate for an amount which the Issuer considers necessary to discharge its obligations under the Securities; or
- (vii) Change in Law. A change in law in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency which may affect the ownership in and/or the transferability of the Relevant Currency; or
- (viii) Imposition of Tax/Levy. The imposition of any tax and/or levy with punitive character which is imposed in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency; or

- (ix) Unavailability of Settlement Currency. The unavailability of the Settlement Currency in the country of the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency, or where the Settlement Currency is the Relevant Currency, the unavailability of the Relevant Currency in the principal financial centre of any other applicable currency; or
- (x) Any other event similar to any of the above, which could make it impracticable or impossible for the Issuer to perform its obligations in relation to the Securities;

“**Exchange**” means, in respect of each Index, the exchange or quotation system from which the Index Sponsor takes the prices of the shares or other securities that comprise the Index (the “**Shares**”) to compute the relevant Index or any successor to such exchange or quotation system;

“**Expenses**” means all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including all applicable depository, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duties, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

“**Final Terms**” means the document containing the specific terms relating to the Securities;

“**Governmental Authority**” is any de facto or de jure government (or agency or instrumentality thereof, court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority) or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) in the country of the principal financial centre of either of the currencies in the Relevant Currency Exchange Rate;

“**Index**” means each index specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4, and “**Indices**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Index Final Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Valuation Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“**Index Initial Reference Price**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Index at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the official closing level of the Index, on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions,

the last reported trading price of the Shares, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

“Index Sponsor” means the corporation or other entity that (i) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to the relevant Index or Inflation Index, as applicable and (ii) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of the relevant Index or Inflation Index, as applicable on a regular basis and references to Index Sponsor shall include any successor index sponsor pursuant to Product Condition 4;

“Inflation Index” means each inflation index specified as such in the definition of the Basket or specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Product Condition 4 and **“Inflation Indices”** shall be construed accordingly;

“Inflation Index Final Reference Price” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the level of the Inflation Index for the Valuation Month, published by the Index Sponsor, as determined by the Calculation Agent without regard to any subsequently published correction. Any revision or amendment to the level of the Inflation Index after the initial publication thereof shall be disregarded for the purposes of determining the relevant level unless the Inflation Index is re-based as a result of such revision or amendment, in which case the level of the Inflation Index shall be subject to such amendments as the Calculation Agent, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, considers appropriate to preserve the economic features of the Securities. If, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such level can be determined (and no Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing), the level of the Inflation Index shall be a level determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the level of the Inflation Index for the relevant Valuation Month having regard to the last published level of the Inflation Index and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant;

“Interest Amount” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period and each Nominal Amount, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Nominal Amount} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Interest Rate Day Count Fraction};$$

“Interest Payment Dates” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“Interest Period” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date;

“**Interest Rate**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period, the rate specified as such, or determined in accordance with the formula specified, in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Interest Rate Day Count Fraction**” means, if “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, that interest shall be calculated on the basis specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issue Date**” means the date specified as such in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Issuer**” means The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam acting through its principal office or its branch in London or such further or other branches as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Market Disruption Event**” means each event specified as such in Product Condition 4, any Additional Market Disruption Event specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms and any Emerging Market Disruption Event;

“**Maturity Date**” means the date specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Nominal Amount**” means the amount specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Payment Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign exchange currency deposits) in the principal financial centre for the Settlement Currency or, if the Settlement Currency is euro, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System is open;

“**Pricing Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the applicable Final Terms, subject to adjustment by the Issuer in adverse market conditions if, in the opinion of the Issuer, circumstances so required;

“**Related Exchange**” means an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on the Index are traded;

“**Relevant Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the Settlement Currency, the lawful currency in which the underlying of the Security or any constituent of such underlying is denominated, from time to time, or the lawful currency of the country in which the Exchange or the primary exchange on which an underlying or any constituent of such underlying, is located provided that Relevant Currency shall not include any lawful currency that is a Standard Currency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the underlying of a Security is a fund, including but not limited to, an exchange traded fund, a mutual fund, a unit trust or a hedge fund, or an American

Depository Receipt (“**ADR**”) or Global Depository Receipt (“**GDR**”), the constituents of such fund, ADR or GDR as applicable, shall not be considered for the purpose of this definition;

“**Relevant Currency Exchange Rate**” means each rate of exchange between the Relevant Currency and the Settlement Currency, or where the Relevant Currency is the Settlement Currency, between the Relevant Currency and any other applicable currency, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate at such time;

“**Relevant Number of Months**” means the number of months specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Relevant Number of Trading Days**” means the number of Trading Days, if any, specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Securities**” means each Series of the index and inflation index notes specified in the applicable Final Terms and each such note a “**Security**”. References to the terms “**Securities**” and “**Security**” shall be construed severally with respect to each Series specified in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Series**” mean each Series of Securities set out in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Settlement Date**” means the Maturity Date or such other date as specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Standard Currency**” means, unless otherwise specified in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the lawful currency of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, or such other currency as determined by the Calculation Agent at its sole and absolute discretion from time to time;

“**Trading Day**” means any day on which the Index Sponsor should calculate and publish the closing level of the Index according to its rules;

“**Underlying Currency**” means the currency specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms;

“**Valuation Date**” means the date or dates specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms or, if any such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day, unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on that day in which case the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Trading Days immediately following

the original date which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been a Valuation Date. In that case (i) the last day of the Relevant Number of Trading Days shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date (regardless of the Market Disruption Event); and (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Final Reference Price having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported trading price of the Shares, and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant;

“**Valuation Month**” means each month specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms unless, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred with respect to any month in which case that Valuation Month shall be the first succeeding calendar month for which the Calculation Agent determines that there is no Market Disruption Event, unless the Calculation Agent determines that there is a Market Disruption Event occurring on each of the Relevant Number of Months immediately following the original month which (but for the Market Disruption Event) would have been the Valuation Month. In that case (a) the last month of the Relevant Number of Months shall be deemed to be the Valuation Month (regardless of the Market Disruption Event) and (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the level of the Inflation Index having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last published level of the Inflation Index and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant; and

“**Valuation Time**” means, in respect of an Index, the time with reference to which the Index Sponsor calculates the closing level of the relevant Index or such other time as the Issuer may select in its absolute discretion and notify to Holders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these Product Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions.

2. FORM

- (a) Global Form. Except in the case of Securities issued in the form described in either Product Condition 2(b) or 2(c), the Securities will be issued in bearer form and represented by a global security (the “**Global Security**”) which will be deposited with a Clearing Agent or the depository for one or more Clearing Agents and will be transferable only in accordance with the applicable law and the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing Agent through whose systems the Securities are transferred. Each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the owner of a particular nominal amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the nominal amount of the Securities standing to the credit of the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and each Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of the Securities (and the term “**Holder**” shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes, other than with respect to any payment and/or

delivery obligations, the right to which shall be vested as regards the Issuer and the Agents, solely in the bearer of the Global Security.

- (b) Dematerialised Form. Certain Securities will, where required by the rules and procedures of the Clearing Agent, be issued in dematerialised form and will be registered in the book-entry system of the Clearing Agent. Title to the Securities will pass by transfer between accountholders at the Clearing Agent perfected in accordance with the legislation, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means a person in whose name a Security is registered in the book-entry settlement system of the Clearing Agent or any other person recognised as a holder of Securities pursuant to the Rules.
- (c) SIX SIS Ltd as Clearing Agent. If SIX SIS Ltd is specified as the Clearing Agent, Securities will, as specified in the applicable Final Terms, be issued in the form of (i) dematerialised securities (the “**Dematerialised Securities**”) or (ii) a bearer permanent Global Security and, in either case, will be transformed into intermediated securities (the “**Intermediated Securities**”) in accordance with article 6 of the Swiss Federal Intermediated Securities Act (the “**FISA**”).

The Intermediated Securities will be created (i) by deposit of a Global Security with the Clearing Agent, acting as custodian as defined in article 4 FISA (the “**Custodian**”), or registration of Dematerialised Securities in the main register of the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and (ii) the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, crediting the respective rights to securities accounts of one or more of its participants with the Clearing Agent in accordance with articles 4 and 6 FISA. For each issuance of Securities in the form of Dematerialised Securities, the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, will maintain the main register as defined in article 6 para. 2 FISA which is available to the public under <https://www.sec.sisclear.com/sec/cm/index/custody-settlement/mainregister.htm>.

Title to the Intermediated Securities is construed and will pass in accordance with the legislation, in particular the FISA, rules and regulations applicable to and/or issued by the Clearing Agent, acting as Custodian, and any other custodian, if any, that are in force and effect from time to time (the “**Rules**”). Accordingly, in these Conditions, the term “**Holder**” means any person recognised as a holder of the Intermediated Securities pursuant to the Rules.

The Holders shall at no time have the right to effect or demand (i) the retransformation of the Intermediated Securities into, and the delivery of, Dematerialised Securities in the case of Dematerialised Securities being the basis for the creation of Intermediated Securities, or

(ii) the conversion of the Dematerialised Securities or the Global Security into definitive Securities.

3. RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Redemption on the Settlement Date. Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled and subject as provided by the Conditions, each Security will be redeemed by the Issuer at the Cash Amount, such redemption to occur on the Settlement Date.
- (b) Interest Amount. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each Security shall bear interest at the Interest Rate. The Interest Amount is calculated by reference to the relevant Interest Period, the Interest Rate, the Nominal Amount and the Interest Rate Day Count Fraction, and is payable on each Interest Payment Date.
- (c) Interest Accrual. If “Interest” is specified as being “Applicable” in the definition of the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, each security shall cease to accrue interest from and including the due date for redemption. No interest shall accrue after the Maturity Date in the event that payment of any amount is postponed due to a Market Disruption Event.
- (d) Payment Day. If the date for payment of any amount in respect of the Securities is not a Payment Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment until either (a) if “Modified Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day unless such Payment Day falls in the next calendar month in which case the date for payment will be the first preceding Payment Day or (b) if “Following” is specified in the definition of Business Day Convention for the relevant Series in the applicable Final Terms, the next following Payment Day and in either case, the Holder shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of such delay or acceleration of payment.
- (e) General. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of the Cash Amount or any Interest Amount.
- (f) Settlement Risk. Settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at the relevant time and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

- (g) **Method of Payment.** Subject as provided below, where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in a currency other than euro, such payments will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer in the Settlement Currency to an account specified by the payee with, or by a cheque in such Settlement Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Settlement Currency; where any amount paid in connection with the Securities is in euro, payment of such amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to a euro account or any account to which euro may be credited or transferred specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque. Payments will be made via the Clearing Agent(s) and will be made in accordance with the Rules (if applicable). All payments will be subject to applicable fiscal and legal requirements applicable thereto.
- (h) **Presentation and Surrender.** The Issuer shall record payment of any amount in connection with the Securities made to the relevant Agent and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Holder shall be the only person entitled to receive payments of any amount paid in connection with the Securities and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the Holder in respect of the amount so paid.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) **Market Disruption.** The Calculation Agent shall as soon as reasonably practicable under the circumstances notify the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 if it determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

“Market Disruption Event”, in relation to an Index, means the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one hour period that ends at the official close of trading on the Exchange or any Related Exchange of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading or the disruption or impairment in the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions (by reason of movements in price reaching or exceeding limits permitted by the relevant exchange or otherwise):

- (A) on any Exchange(s) in securities that comprise 20 per cent or more of the level of the relevant Index if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, such suspension or limitation is material. For the purpose of determining whether such suspension or limitation is material, if trading in a security included in the Index is suspended or materially limited at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of that security to the level of the Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security relative to (y) the overall level of the Index, in each case immediately before that suspension or limitation; or

- (B) on any Related Exchange in any options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts relating to the relevant Index.

In any event, a limitation on the hours and number of days of trading will not constitute a Market Disruption Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of the relevant exchange, but a limitation on trading imposed during the course of the day by reason of movements in price otherwise exceeding levels permitted by the relevant exchange may, if so determined by the Calculation Agent, constitute a Market Disruption Event.

“**Market Disruption Event**”, in relation to an Inflation Index, means the Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce the level of the Inflation Index.

- (b) Adjustments to Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) below.
 - (i) If a relevant Index is (A) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor to the Index Sponsor (the “**Successor Sponsor**”) acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index, then (in either case) the Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.
 - (ii) If (A) on or prior to the Valuation Date, the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor, makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating a relevant Index or in any other way materially modifies the Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events); or (B) on or prior to the Valuation Date the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish a relevant Index; then (in either case) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Final Reference Price using, in lieu of a published level(s) for the Index on the Valuation Date the level for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to the change or failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to the change or failure (other than those securities that have since ceased to be listed on the Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares are listed) or, in the case of a material modification of the Index only, the Calculation Agent shall deem such modified

Index to be the Index so calculated and announced or shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.

(iii) If, at any time, any of the events specified in (A) to (H) below occurs and the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor has not in the opinion of the Calculation Agent made an appropriate adjustment to the level of the relevant Index in order to account fully for such event, notwithstanding that the rules published or applied by the Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor pertaining to the Index have been applied, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment to the level of the Index as it considers appropriate in order to so account: (A) a distribution or dividend to existing holders of the Shares of (i) Shares; or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of the Shares equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of Shares or (iii) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or otherwise) at less than the prevailing market price; (B) a free distribution or dividend of any Shares to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue; (C) an extraordinary dividend; (D) any cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (E) any non-cash dividends declared on the Shares at a time when the relevant issuer has not previously declared or paid dividends on such Shares for the prior four quarterly periods; (F) any other extraordinary cash or non-cash dividend on, or distribution with respect to, the Shares which is, by its terms or declared intent, declared and paid outside the normal operations or normal dividend procedures of the relevant issuer, provided that, in all cases, the related ex-dividend date occurs during the period from and including the Issue Date up to but excluding the Valuation Date; (G) a distribution of cash dividends on the Shares equal to or greater than 8 per cent. per annum of the then current market value of the Shares; (H) any other similar event having dilutive or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares.

(c) Adjustments to the Inflation Index. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2) or (3) below.

(1) If the Inflation Index is (A) not calculated and announced in its usual way but is calculated and published in a different way but in a way acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or (B) replaced by a successor inflation index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula

for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the relevant Inflation Index, then (in either case) the relevant Inflation Index will be deemed to be the Inflation Index so calculated and announced by that successor index, as the case may be.

- (2) If (A) on or prior to any calculation of the level of the Inflation Index there is a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Inflation Index or the Index Sponsor, in any other way, materially modifies the Inflation Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Inflation Index in the event of changes in constituent securities and other routine events) then the Calculation Agent shall (a) determine the Inflation Index level using, in lieu of a published level for the Inflation Index, the level for the Inflation Index as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner or, (b) shall deem such modified Inflation Index to be the Inflation Index so calculated and announced or (c) shall terminate the Securities by giving notice in accordance with General Condition 4.
- (d)
 - (1) The Issuer reserves the right to issue further Securities, make adjustments or to distribute to the Holders any rights in connection with the Securities as it reasonably believes are appropriate in circumstances where an event or events occur which the Issuer (in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any adjustments previously made to the Securities) believes should, in the context of the issue of Securities and its obligations hereunder, give rise to such adjustment or distribution, provided that such adjustment is considered by the Calculation Agent either to be appropriate generally (without considering the individual circumstances of any Holder or the tax or other consequences of such adjustment in any particular jurisdiction) or to be required to take account of provisions of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction or the practices of the relevant exchange.
 - (2) The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the Conditions in order to account for any such event if it considers it appropriate to do so. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Holder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Holders copies of any such determinations. In making any determinations and calculations in respect of the Securities, the Calculation Agent shall act at all times in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner.

5. EFFECT OF FINAL TERMS

The Final Terms applicable to any Series of Securities may specify amendments to these Product Conditions in so far as they apply to that Series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, consideration will be given as to whether such amendments constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus (as defined in the Final Terms) under Article 16 of Directive 2003/71/EC.

FORM OF FINAL TERMS

Dated []



The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.
(incorporated in The Netherlands with its statutory seat in Amsterdam)

[NUMBER] [UNDERLYING] [TYPE OF PRODUCT] [NOTES]

[INDICATIVE] ISSUE PRICE: [] []

[Securities with Rollover feature admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. only: these Securities provide for a dynamic structure with regard to an adjustment of the Underlying] [Specify Other]

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE EXERCISED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY U.S. PERSON AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT. FURTHERMORE, TRADING IN THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION UNDER THE UNITED STATES COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT, AS AMENDED AND NO U.S. PERSON MAY AT ANY TIME TRADE OR MAINTAIN A POSITION IN THE SECURITIES.

THE SECURITIES DO NOT CONSTITUTE UNITS OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SWISS FEDERAL ACT ON COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES ("CISA") AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF, OR SUPERVISION BY THE SWISS FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY ("FINMA"). HOLDERS OF THE SECURITIES ARE EXPOSED TO THE CREDIT RISK OF THE ISSUER.

FINAL TERMS

Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the General Conditions and the Product Conditions applicable to each Series of Securities described herein (the “relevant Product Conditions”) as set forth in the Base Prospectus relating to Notes dated 1 July 2010 (the “Base Prospectus”), as supplemented from time to time, which constitutes a base prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC) (the “Prospectus Directive”). This document constitutes the Final Terms of each Series of the Securities described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and must be read in conjunction with the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. Full information on the Issuer and each Series of the Securities described herein is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. The Base Prospectus as so supplemented is available for viewing at the office of the Issuer at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom and copies may be obtained from the Issuer at that address.

These Final Terms must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions and the relevant Product Conditions contained in the Base Prospectus as so supplemented. These Final Terms, the relevant Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of each Series of the Securities described herein and will be attached to any Global Security representing each such Series of the Securities. In the event of any inconsistency between these Final Terms and the General Conditions or the relevant Product Conditions, these Final Terms will govern.

In respect of Securities to be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, the Programme, together with any Final Terms, will constitute the listing prospectus pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

The Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets has provided the [names of competent authorities of host Member States] with a certificate of approval attesting that the Base Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with the Prospectus Directive.

So far as the Issuer is aware, no person (other than the Issuer in its separate capacities as Issuer and Calculation Agent, see “Risk Factors - Actions taken by the Calculation Agent may affect the Underlying” and “Risk Factors – Actions taken by the Issuer may affect the value of the Securities” in the Base Prospectus) involved in the issue of the Notes has an interest material to the offer. [NB: Amend as appropriate if there are interests]

Issuer: The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., acting through [its principal office at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands][its London branch at 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA][other]

Clearing Agents: [Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (Euroclear Netherlands)]
[Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as operator of the Euroclear system]
[Clearstream Banking, société anonyme]

Subscription Period: [SIX SIS Ltd]
[specify other, including address]
[] [Not Applicable]

Pricing Date(s): []

Launch Date: [] [Not Applicable]

As, if and when issued trading: [] [Not Applicable]

Issue Date: []

Listing: [] [Application has been made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Securities to be listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.]

Listing Date: []

Admission to trading: [Application has been made for the Securities to be admitted to trading on [] with effect from [].] [No application for admission to trading has been made] [Application has been made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the Securities to be listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. and admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd., provided that no assurance can be given that the Securities will be admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. or listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. on the Issue Date or any specific date thereafter.] [Securities listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. may be suspended from trading in accordance with Article 57 of the SIX Listing Rules or be delisted from SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd. during the lifetime of the Securities.]

Announcements to Holders: Delivered to Clearing Agents

Principal Agent: [The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA]

Agent(s): [ABN AMRO Bank N.V. MF 2020 Kemelstede 2, P.O. Box 3200, 4800 DE Breda, The Netherlands] [Citibank International Plc, Netherlands Branch, Global Transaction Services, Hoge Mosten 2, 4822 NH Breda, The Netherlands]

Calculation Agent: The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., 250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA, United Kingdom

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities

Form of the Securities: [Global Security]
[Dematerialised form]
[Global Security transformed into Intermediated

Securities] (Only applicable to Securities where the Clearing Agent is SIX SIS Ltd)

Dematerialised Securities transformed into Intermediated Securities] (Only applicable to Securities where the Clearing Agent is SIX SIS Ltd)

Securities admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.:

[Delete the following sections if Securities will not be admitted to trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. and listed on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.]

First Trading Day:

[specify other] [the Issue Date]

Last Trading Day:

[] [trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. until official close of trading on Scoach Switzerland Ltd. on that day]

Minimum Trading Size:

[]

Payment Date:

[Issue Date]] [not applicable]

Type of quoting (in case of interest component)

[flat/dirty trading or clean trading][Not Applicable]

Minimum Exercise

[]

Governing Law

The Securities are subject to English law

Jurisdiction

The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or in connection with the Securities

Swiss Agent

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland, phone +41 44 285 58 58, fax +41 44 285 56 16

Recognised Representative for the purpose of Article 43 Listing Rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd:

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., Amsterdam, Zurich Branch, Lerchenstrasse 24, P.O. Box 2921, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland, phone +41 44 285 58 58, fax +41 44 285 56 16

Paying Agent

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. acting through its principal office at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Announcements to Holders / Publications

Any notices or publications to be made to Holders will be made through the online information system of SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd., by publishing on SIX Swiss Exchange's website http://www.six-exchange-regulation.com/publications/communiqués/official_notices_en.html.

Issue Size of Series or Number of Securities

[].

Interest Ex-Date (in case of interest component)

[] [not applicable]

Type of quoting (in case of interest component)

[flat/dirty trading or clean trading] [not applicable]

RANGE ACCRUAL NOTES

Series:	Range Accrual Notes due [] Series []
Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent] [specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Indicative Target Rate:	[]
Interest:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum] [Not Applicable] [In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula: Target Rate x (N/M) Where: “N” means the actual number of days in the relevant Interest Period on which [the daily fixing of the Reference Spread is equal to or above []] [specify other]; and “M” means the actual number of days in the relevant Interest Period.] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be

considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))
[Not Applicable] *[specify other]*

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Cash Amount] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date: *[specify]* [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Rate 1: []

Rate 2: [] [Not Applicable]

Reference Banks: [The principal London office of five leading dealers in the London interbank market which ordinarily provide quotations for Rate 1, Rate 2, if applicable, or any other rate requested by the Calculation Agent pursuant to Product Condition 4, as selected by the Issuer in its absolute discretion] *[specify other]*

Reference Spread Screen Page: [] [Not Applicable]

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Settlement Currency: []

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Valuation Time: [11.00 hours Central European Time] *[specify other]*

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: []

Amendments to General Conditions or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute "significant new factors" and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus

Directive)

Sales Restriction:

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained:

[Bloomberg] [Reuters] [*specify other*]

Series:

Range Accrual Notes due []

Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

LADDER NOTES

Series:	<i>Ladder Notes due [] Series []</i>
Nominal Amount:	[] <i>[If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent] <i>[specify other]</i>
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Interest:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] <i>[specify other]</i>
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[In respect of the <i>[specify]</i> Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum] [Not Applicable] [In respect of the <i>[specify]</i> Interest Period[s], the rate determined as follows: <i>[Specify applicable formulae, including any applicable definition of Reference Rate and Reference Rate Screen Page]</i> [Not Applicable] <i>[specify other]</i>
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))] [Not Applicable] <i>[specify other]</i>
Issuer Call:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date: [specify] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Reference Banks: [The principal London office of five leading banks in the London interbank market which ordinarily provide quotations for the Reference Rate or any other rate requested by the Calculation Agent pursuant to Product Condition 4, as selected by the Issuer in its absolute discretion] [specify other]

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Screen Page: []

Settlement Currency: []

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Target Fixed Rate: []

Valuation Date: [Five Business Days prior to the relevant Interest Payment Date] [or, in the case of an Issuer Call, the date specified as such in the notice delivered in accordance with Product Condition 3 or, if such day is not a Trading Day, the first succeeding Trading Day] [specify other]

Valuation Time: [11.00 hours Central European Time] [specify other]

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: []

Amendments to General Conditions or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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[Bloomberg][Reuters][*specify other*]

Series:

Ladder Notes due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

TARGET COUPON NOTES

Series:	[Share] [Share Basket]Target Coupon Notes due [] Series []			
Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]			
Issue Price:	[]			
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]			
Averaging Dates:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]			
Basket:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]			
Share	Share Company	Exchange	Bloomberg Code	Initial Reference Spot
[Type/ISIN]	[specify]	[specify]	[specify]	[specify]
Bonus Coupon Amount:	[specify][Not Applicable]			
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]			
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]			
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount] [specify other]			
Coupon Amount:	[specify]			
Coupon Amount Payment Dates:	[specify]			
Cumulative Coupon Amount:	$\left[\sum_{k=1}^n C_k \right]$ on the n th Coupon Amount Payment Date where “n” means 1 – [specify] [specify other]			
Cut-Off Date:	[In respect of any Valuation Date, the sixth Scheduled Trading Day following such Valuation Date][Five Business Days prior to the Maturity Date][specify other]			
Early Termination Date:	[The date on which an Early Termination Event occurs][specify other]			
Early Termination Event:	[When the Cumulative Coupon Amount on any Coupon Amount Payment Date (from and including the [specify] Coupon Amount Payment Date to and including the [specify] Coupon Amount Payment Date) [and excluding the Residual Coupon Amount (if applicable)] is equal to or exceeds the Target Coupon Level][specify other]			
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]			
Exchange:	[] [see Basket]			
First Initial Fixing Date:	[specify date][Not Applicable]			
Fixing Cut-Off Date:	[The sixth Scheduled Trading Day following the First Initial Fixing Date][specify other][Not Applicable]			

Initial Reference Spot:	[The arithmetic average of the prices of the Share at the Valuation Time on the Initial Fixing Dates][see Basket][<i>specify other</i>]
Interest Entitlement:	[(i) the relevant Coupon Amount on each of the relevant Coupon Amount Payment Dates [and (ii) the Residual Coupon Amount multiplied by the Nominal Amount on the Maturity Date, if the sum of all Coupon Amounts payable is less than the Target Coupon Level][and (iii) the Bonus Coupon Amount on the Bonus Coupon Amount Payment Date (as defined below) if the Cumulative Coupon Amount [(which for the avoidance of doubt shall not include the Residual Coupon Amount)] in respect of any Coupon Amount Payment Date from and including the [<i>specify</i>] Coupon Amount Payment Date to and including the [<i>specify</i>] Coupon Amount Payment Date (such [<i>specify</i>] Coupon Amount Payment Date being the “ Bonus Coupon Amount Payment Date ”) is equal to or exceeds the Target Coupon Level. For the avoidance of doubt no Bonus Coupon Amount shall be paid if a Residual Coupon Amount is paid.]]][<i>specify other</i>]
Issuer Call:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Cash Amount:	[Cash Amount] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Date:	[<i>specify</i>] [See Issuer notice of call]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[] [Not Applicable]
Maturity Date:	[]
Reference Spot:	Regarding the relevant Share in respect of any Valuation Date, [an amount equal to the price of such Share quoted on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on such Valuation Date, as determined by or on behalf of the Calculation Agent, or (if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, no such price can be determined and such day is not a Disrupted Day) an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as its good faith estimate of the price of the Share (which may be zero) on such date having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported price of such Share on the Exchange and such other factors as the Calculation Agent determines relevant][the arithmetic average of the prices of the relevant Share at the Valuation Time on the Averaging Dates in respect of such Valuation Date][<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Currency:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Number of Scheduled Trading Days:	Averaging Dates: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Residual Coupon Amount:	[<i>specify</i>][Not Applicable]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[(i) the Maturity Date or if later, the tenth Business Day following the last occurring Valuation Date or (ii) if an Early Termination Event has occurred, the Early Termination Date][<i>specify other</i>]
Share:	[] [see Basket]

S_i Dates: [Initial Fixing Dates][Averaging Dates][immediately preceding Valuation Date][a Valuation Date][specify other]

Share Company: [] [see Basket]

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Target Coupon Level: [specify]

Valuation Date: [specify], [specify] and [specify]

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: Not Applicable

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Bloomberg page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained: []

Series: [Share] [Share Basket] Target Coupon Notes due []

Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

RATE NOTES

Series:	[Rate] Notes due [] Series []
Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent][specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Interest:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []][Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum] [In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula: [specify]] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Issuer Call:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Cash Amount:	[Cash Amount] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date: [specify] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Reference Banks: [The principal London office of five leading dealers in the London interbank market which ordinarily provide quotations for the relevant Underlying Rate, if applicable, or any other rate requested by the Calculation Agent pursuant to Product Condition 4, as selected by the Issuer in its absolute discretion] [specify other]

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Settlement Currency: []

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Underlying Rate(s): [first rate]
Screen Page: [specify]
Relevant Number of Days: [specify]
[repeat as appropriate for other rates]

Valuation Time: [11.00 hours Central European Time] [specify other]

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: []

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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[Bloomberg] [Reuters] [*specify other*]

Series:

[*Rate*] Notes due [] Series []

[*repeat as above for each new Series*]

ZERO COUPON NOTES

Series:	[Zero] Notes due [] Series []
Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]
Issue Price:	[]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent][specify other]
Maturity Date:	[]
Settlement Currency:	[]
ISIN:	[]
Common Code:	[]
Other Securities Code:	[] [Symbol:]
Indication of yield:	[]
Amendments to General Conditions or Product Conditions:	<p>[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]</p> <p><i>(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)</i></p>
Sales Restriction:	The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “ Securities Act ”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the

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Series: [Rate] Notes due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

CURRENCY EXCHANGE NOTES

Series:	[Currency] Exchange Notes due [] Series []
Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent][specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Exchange Rate(s):	[first rate] Screen Page: [specify] Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] [repeat as appropriate for other rates]
Interest:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []][Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], [] per cent. per annum] [In respect of the [specify] Interest Period[s], the rate determined in accordance with the following formula: [specify]] [specify other] [Not Applicable]
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall

not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))
[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Cash Amount] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date: [specify] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Settlement Currency: []

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Underlying Currenc[y/ies]: []

Valuation Date: [[] Business Days before the Maturity Date] [specify other]

Valuation Time: [11.00 hours Central European Time] [specify other]

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: []

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[Bloomberg] [Reuters] [*specify other*]

Series:

[*Currency*] *Exchange Notes due* [] *Series* []

[*repeat as above for each new Series*]

YIELD DISCOVERY NOTES

Series: *Yield Discovery Notes due [] Series []*

Nominal Amount: *[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]*

Issue Price: *[]*

Additional Market Disruption Events: *[None] [specify]*

Basket:

Share (ISIN)	Share Company	Exchange
<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>

Business Day: *[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]*

Business Day Convention: *[Modified Following][Following]*

Cash Amount: *[Nominal Amount x 100per cent] [specify other]*

Emerging Market Disruption Events: *[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]*

Initial Reference Price: *[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]*

Interest: *[Applicable] [Not Applicable]*

Interest Payment Dates: *[[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] [specify other]*

Interest Period: *[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]*

Interest Rate: *[In respect of the [specify] Interest Periods, [specify any fixed rate] per cent. per annum]*
[In respect of the [specify] Interest Periods, [specify formula for determining any variable rate]]
[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: *[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]*
[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of

February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))]
[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Cash Amount] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date: *[specify]* [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Maturity Date [or, if later, the [] Business Day following the final Valuation Date]] *[specify other]*

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Valuation Date: [[] [and []] in each year up to and including the final Valuation Date on []] *[specify other]*

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: []

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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[Bloomberg] [Reuters] [*specify other*]

Series:

Yield Discovery Notes due []

Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

CERTIFICATE NOTES

Series: [Certificate] Notes due [] Series []

Nominal Amount: [] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] [specify]

Basket:

[“Certificate”	“Exchange”	“Weight”
[specify each Certificate and [ISIN] Code]	[Specify exchange]	[specify]
	[Not Applicable]	

Business Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Business Day Convention: [Modified Following][Following]

Cash Amount: [Nominal Amount x (100per cent + Participation x Max {0, {Final Reference Price / Initial Reference Price} -1})]

[specify other]

Certificate: [] [See Basket]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Exchange: [] [See Basket]

Final Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Initial Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [specify other]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [[] per cent. per annum] [Not Applicable] [specify other]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360

days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))]

[*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Cash Amount] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date: [*specify*] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Participation: []

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Business Days: []

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Valuation Date(s): []

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: [] [Not Applicable]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained:

[Bloomberg][Reuters][*specify other*]

Series:

[*Certificate*] Notes due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX NOTES

Series:	[Index] Notes due [] Series []
Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Basket:	
["Index"]	"Weight"
[specify each Index and Bloomberg Code]	[Specify percentage weight][Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[An amount equal to the larger of: i) Nominal Amount * Relevant Percentage 1; or ii) Nominal Amount * Relevant Percentage 1 + Nominal Amount * $\min\left[100\% * \frac{\text{Final Reference Price} - \text{Initial Level}}{\text{Initial Level}}; \text{Relevant Percentage 2}\right]$ where: Relevant Percentage 1 means [specify]; and Relevant Percentage 2 means [specify] [specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Final Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Index:	[] [Not Applicable]
Initial Reference Price:	[]
Interest:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[[] per cent. per annum] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided

by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]

[*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call:

[Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount:

[Cash Amount] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date:

[] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date:

[*specify*] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period:

[] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date:

[]

Relevant Currency:

[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days:

[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency:

[]

Standard Currency:

[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Valuation Date(s):

[]

Valuation Time:

[11.00 hours Central European Time] [*specify other*]

ISIN:

[]

Common Code:

[]

Other Securities Code:

[] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield:

[] [Not Applicable]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained:

[Bloomberg][Reuters][specify other]

Series:

[Index] Notes due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INFLATION INDEX NOTES

Series:	[Inflation Index] Notes due [] Series []
Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent] [specify other]
Fixed Spread:	[] per cent indicative to be determined on Issue Date] [specify other]
Inflation Index:	[[Inflation Index] published on a [monthly] [other] basis by the [], as displayed on Bloomberg '[] <Index>' (or such other page as may replace that page, or such other information service as may be selected by the Calculation Agent, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, for the purpose of displaying the Inflation Index)] [specify other]]
Interest:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[Nominal Amount x Fixed Spread + the greater of: i. zero; or ii. CPI_{N-3} / CPI_{N-15} Where: “ CPI_{N-3} ” means, in respect of each Interest Payment Date _(N) , the Inflation Index Level in respect of the month falling three months prior to such Interest Payment Date “ CPI_{N-15} ” means, in respect of each Interest Payment Date _(N) , the Inflation Index Level in respect of the month falling fifteen months prior to such Interest Payment Date] [specify other] [Not Applicable]
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the

Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))]

[*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Cash Amount] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date: [*specify*] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Settlement Currency: []

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: [] [Not Applicable]

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

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[Bloomberg][Reuters][specify other]

Series:

[Inflation Index] Notes due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INFLATION INDEX NOTES II

Series:	[Inflation Index] Notes due [] Series []
Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None][specify]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent] [specify other]
Final Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Index:	[[Inflation Index] published on a [monthly] [other] basis by the [], as displayed on Bloomberg '[] <Index>' (or such other page as may replace that page, or such other information service as may be selected by the Calculation Agent, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, for the purpose of displaying the Index)] [specify other]]
Interest:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[For the [first] Interest Period[s], []per cent and for the remaining Interest Periods an amount calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{MAX} \left\{ 0\%, * \% \left[\frac{\text{Index}_{-3M} - \text{Index}_{-15M}}{\text{Index}_{-15M}} \right] \right\}$$

Where:

Index_{.3M} is the Final Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the second year immediately preceding the relevant Interest Payment Date

Index_{.15M} is the Final Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the third year immediately preceding the relevant Interest Payment Date

For example, in respect of the Interest Rate calculation applicable for the Interest Payment Date on [], Index_{.3M} will be the Final Reference Price for [2006] and Index_{.15M} will be the Final Reference Price for [2005].] [specify other]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a
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leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]

[Specify Other][Not Applicable]

Maturity Date:	[]
Relevant Number of Months:	[2] [specify other]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies][specify other]
Valuation Month(s):	[]
ISIN:	[]
Common Code:	[]
Other Securities Code:	[] [Symbol:]
Indication of yield:	[] [Not Applicable]
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[Bloomberg][Reuters][specify other]

Series:

[Inflation Index] Notes due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

CALLABLE INDEX NOTES

Series:	<i>callable [Index] Notes due [] Series []</i>
Nominal Amount:	[] <i>[If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Barrier Level:	[Applicable – [Relevant Percentage x Initial Reference Price] <i>[specify other formula]</i>][Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	(i) If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Initial Reference Price: Nominal Amount * <i>[specify]</i> ; or (ii) If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Barrier Level up to (and including) the Initial Reference Price: Nominal Amount * 100per cent; (iii) Otherwise: Nominal Amount * (Final Reference Price/Initial Reference Price) <i>[specify other]</i>
Early Redemption Amount:	[Nominal Amount * <i>[specify]</i>] Where t = either <i>[specify]</i> corresponding to the Valuation Date on which the Early Redemption Event occurs. <i>[specify other]</i>
Early Redemption Date(s):	[]
Early Redemption Event:	[If the Issuer, in its sole and absolute discretion determines that an Early Redemption Event should occur in respect of an Early Redemption Date] <i>[specify other]</i>
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Final Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Index:	[] (Bloomberg Code: [])
Initial Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Maturity Date:	[]
Relevant Currency:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Relevant Percentage: [[] per cent. per annum] [Not Applicable]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Following an Early Redemption Event, the [fifth] Business Day following the relevant Early Redemption Date and otherwise the Maturity Date or if later, the [fifth] Business Day following the final Valuation Date]
[specify other]

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Valuation Date: []

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: Not Applicable

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained: [Bloomberg] [Reuters] [*specify other*]

Series: *Callable [Index] Notes due [] Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

AUTOCALLABLE INDEX NOTES

Series:	<i>Autocallable [Index] Notes due [] Series []</i>
Nominal Amount:	[] <i>[If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Barrier Level:	[Relevant Percentage x Initial Reference Price] <i>[specify other]</i>
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	(i) [If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Initial Reference Price: Nominal Amount * <i>[specify]</i>]; or (ii) If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Barrier Level up to (and including) the Initial Reference Price: Nominal Amount * 100per cent; (iii) Otherwise: Nominal Amount * (Final Reference Price/Initial Reference Price)] <i>[specify other]</i>
Early Redemption Amount:	[Nominal Amount * <i>[specify]</i>] Where t = either <i>[specify]</i> corresponding to the Valuation Date on which the Early Redemption Event occurs.] <i>[specify other]</i>
Early Redemption Event:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Final Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Index:	[] (Bloomberg Code: [])
Initial Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Interest:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] <i>[specify other]</i>
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[[] per cent. [per annum] [Not Applicable] <i>[specify other]</i>
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided

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[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Relevant Percentage: [] per cent. per annum

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Following an Early Redemption Event, the [third] Business Day following the relevant Valuation Date and otherwise the Maturity Date or if later, the [third] Business Day following the final Valuation Date] [specify other]

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Valuation Date(s): []

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: Not Applicable

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained: []

Series: *Autocallable [Index] Notes due [] Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

AUTOCALLABLE SHARE BASKET NOTES

Series: Autocallable [Share Basket] Notes due []
Series []

Nominal Amount: [] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] [specify]

Barrier Level: [Relevant Percentage x Initial Reference Price] [specify other]

Business Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Business Day Convention: [Modified Following][Following]

Basket: [] (Bloomberg Code: [])

Share	Share Company	Exchange	Weighting	Underlying Currency
[Type and ISIN]	[specify]	[specify]	[specify] per cent.	[specify]
				[Not applicable]

Cash Amount: (i) [If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Initial Reference Price:
Nominal Amount * [specify]; or
(ii) If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Barrier Level up to (and including) the Initial Reference Price:
Nominal Amount * 100per cent;
(iii) Otherwise:
Nominal Amount * (Final Reference Price/Initial Reference Price)] [specify other]

Early Redemption Amount: [Nominal Amount * [specify]]
Where t = either [specify] corresponding to the Valuation Date on which the Early Redemption Event occurs.] [specify other]

Early Redemption Event: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Final Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Initial Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*][Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [[] per cent. [per annum] [Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]
[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))]
[*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Physical Settlement: [Applicable][Not Applicable]

Reference Price: []

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Relevant Percentage: [[] per cent. per annum] [None]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Following an Early Redemption Event, the [third] Business Day following the relevant Valuation Date and otherwise the Maturity Date or if later, the [third] Business Day following the final Valuation Date] [*specify other*]

Share Amount: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Underlying Value: [*specify*]

Valuation Date(s): []

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: Not Applicable

Amendments to General Conditions or Product Conditions:

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Series:

Autocallable [Share Basket] Notes due []

Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

AUTOCALLABLE REFERENCE RATE NOTES

Series:	<i>Autocallable [Reference Rate] Notes due [] Series []</i>
Nominal Amount:	[] <i>[If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]</i>
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>
Barrier Level:	[Relevant Percentage x Initial Reference Price] <i>[specify other]</i>
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	(i) [If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Initial Reference Price: Nominal Amount * <i>[specify]</i>]; or (ii) If the Final Reference Price is greater than the Barrier Level up to (and including) the Initial Reference Price: Nominal Amount * 100per cent; (iii) Otherwise: Nominal Amount * (Final Reference Price/Initial Reference Price)] <i>[specify other]</i>
Early Redemption Amount:	[Nominal Amount * <i>[specify]</i>] Where t = either <i>[specify]</i> corresponding to the Valuation Date on which the Early Redemption Event occurs.] <i>[specify other]</i>
Early Redemption Event:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Final Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Initial Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>
Interest:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] <i>[specify other]</i>
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[[] per cent. [per annum] [Not Applicable] <i>[specify other]</i>
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the

number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))]

[*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Reference Rate: []

Reference Rate Screen Page: []

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Relevant Percentage: [] per cent. per annum

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [Following an Early Redemption Event, the [third] Business Day following the relevant Valuation Date and otherwise the Maturity Date or if later, the [third] Business Day following the final Valuation Date] [*specify other*]

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Valuation Date(s): []

Valuation Time: []

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: Not Applicable

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[repeat as above for each new Series]

SHARE NOTES

Series: *[Share][Share Basket] Notes due [] Series []*

Nominal Amount: *[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]*

Issue Price: *[]*

Additional Market Disruption Events: *[None] [specify]*

Basket: *[Not Applicable]*

Share	Share Company	Exchange	Weight	Underlying Currency
<i>[Type and ISIN]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify] per cent. [Not Applicable]</i>	<i>[specify]</i>

Business Day: *[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]*

Business Day Convention: *[Modified Following][Following]*

Cash Amount: *[insert redemption formula and applicable related definitions]*

Emerging Market Disruption Events: *[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]*

Exchange: *[] [[See Basket]*

Final Averaging Dates: *[] [[Not Applicable]*

Final Reference Price: *[] [[Not Applicable]*

Initial Averaging Dates: *[] [[Not Applicable]*

Initial Reference Price: *[] [[Not Applicable]*

Interest: *[Applicable][Not Applicable]*

Interest Payment Dates: *[[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date], with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] [specify other]*

Interest Period: *[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]*

Interest Rate: *[] [[Not Applicable]*

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: *[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]
[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the*

Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))]
[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Cash Amount] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date: *[specify]* [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The Maturity Date [or, if later, the [third] Business Day following the [Valuation Date][last Final Averaging Date]]] *[specify other]*

Share: [] [See Basket]

Share Company: [] [See Basket]

Specified Trading Days: []

Specified Valid Averaging Dates: For the purpose of Initial Averaging Dates: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 For the purpose of Final Averaging Dates: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Underlying Currency: [] [See Basket]

Valuation Date: *[[Insert number]* Trading Days prior to the Maturity Date] *[specify date]* or, if such day is not a Trading Day, then the next succeeding day which is a Trading Day] [the last Final Averaging Date] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: [] [Not Applicable]

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Series: [Share][Share Basket] Notes due [] Series []

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SINGLE STOCK EXCHANGEABLE NOTES

Series:	[Share] Exchangeable Notes due [] Series []
Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent] [specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Exchange:	[]
Exchange Period:	[The period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (and including) the Valuation Date] [specify other]
Exchange Price:	[The percentage specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, multiplied by the price of the Share on the Exchange at the Valuation Time on the Pricing Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4] ¹ [The price specified as such in the definition of the relevant Series, subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4]. [specify other]
Exchange Time:	[]
Final Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Interest:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[] [Not Applicable]
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a

¹ If forward pricing.

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[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Nominal Amount x 100] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount Condition: [The Final Reference Price is less than [(or equal to)] the Exchange Price] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date: [specify] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Share Amount Condition: [The Final Reference Price is more than [(or equal to)] the Exchange Price] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: []

Optional Exchange Right Notice Period: []

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purpose of “Issuer Call Date”, [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
For the purpose of “Share Amount”, [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
For the purpose of “Valuation Date”, [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The earlier of (i) the Maturity Date or, if later, the fifth Business Day following the Valuation Date, [and] (ii) the fifth Business Day following the Exchange Date [and (iii) the fifth Business Day following the Issuer Call Date]] [specify other]

Share: []

Share Amount: []² [the number of Shares determined by the Calculation Agent as being the Nominal Amount divided by the Exchange Price]³ [specify other]

Share Company: []

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Underlying Currency: []

² If not forward pricing

³ If forward pricing

Valuation Date: []

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

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Series: [Share] Exchangeable Notes due [] Series []

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SINGLE STOCK EXCHANGEABLE NOTES (INTO CASH)

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Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent] [specify other]
Conversion Amount:	[Nominal Amount x [Final Reference Price/(Initial Reference Price x []per cent)] [specify other]
Conversion Time:	[]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Exchange:	[]
Exchange Period:	[The period commencing on (and including) the Issue Date to (and including) the Valuation Date] [specify other]
Final Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Initial Reference Price:	[]
Interest:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[] [Not Applicable]
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]

	[<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Date:	[<i>specify</i>] [See issuer notice of call]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[] [Not Applicable]
Maturity Date:	[]
Optional Exchange Right Notice Period:	[]
Relevant Currency:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purpose of “Issuer Call Date”, [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] For the purpose of “Valuation Date”, [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The earlier of (i) the fifth Business Day following the Early Termination Date [or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be,] and (ii) the Maturity Date] [<i>specify other</i>]
Share:	[]
Share Company:	[]
Standard Currency:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [<i>specify other</i>]
Underlying Currency:	[]
Valuation Date:	[]
ISIN:	[]
Common Code:	[]
Other Securities Code:	[] [Symbol:]
Indication of yield:	[] [Not Applicable]
Amendments to General Conditions or Product Conditions:	[Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to

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Series: *[Share] Exchangeable Notes (into Cash) due [] Series []*

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX EXCHANGEABLE NOTES

Series:	[Index] Exchangeable Notes due [] Series []
Nominal Amount:	[] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]
Issue Price:	[]
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] [specify]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent] [specify other]
Conversion Amount:	[Nominal Amount x (Final Index Level/Conversion Level)] [specify other]
Conversion Level:	[]
Conversion Time:	[]
Early Termination Date:	[The Trading Day immediately after the Holder Early Termination Notice Date] [specify other]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
Exchange Period:	[The period commencing from (but excluding) the Issue Date to [(but including)] the Final Termination Date] [specify other]
Final Termination Date:	[Fifth Business Day prior to the Maturity Date] [specify other]
Index:	[](Bloomberg Code: [])
Interest:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [specify other]
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[] [Not Applicable]
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a

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[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Nominal Amount x 100per cent] [Nominal Amount x (Final Index Level/Conversion Level)] *[specify other]* [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date: *[specify]* [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date: [] [Not Applicable]

Optional Exchange Right Notice Period: []

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purpose of “Early Termination Date”, [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 For the purpose of “Issuer Call Date”, [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The earlier of (i) the fifth Business Day following the Early Termination Date [or the Issuer Call Date, as the case may be,] and (ii) the Maturity Date] *[specify other]*

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Underlying Currency: []

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

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Series: [Index] Exchangeable Notes due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED NOTES

Series: [5 Year Himalaya Note Linked to a Multi-Asset Basket – Due 2011] [*Specify other*]

Nominal Amount: [] [*Specify other*]
[If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]

Issue Price: [(of Denomination)] [*Specify other*]

Issue Date: [] [*Specify other*]

Additional Disruption Events: [None] [*Specify other*]

Additional Fund Event: [None] [*Specify other*]

Denomination: [ZAR1,000] [*Specify other*]

Basket:

	“Weight”	”Reference Asset Currency”	“Exchange”
[Index]			[<i>Specify other</i>] [Not applicable]
[Fund <i>[specify each Reference Asset, Fund Reference Asset and Bloomberg Code as applicable]</i>]	[<i>Specify per cent Weight</i>]	[<i>Specify other</i>] [Not applicable]	[Not applicable]
Indices:	“Index” [<i>Specify</i>]	“Index Sponsor” [<i>Specify</i>]	
Funds:	[<i>Specify</i>],		
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [<i>Specify other</i>]		
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]		
Cash Amount:	[An amount equal to: Denomination x Max x [0per cent, (A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 + A5)/5] Where: A1 = Return of the Best Performing Reference Asset in the 1 st year; A2 = Return of the Best Performing Reference Asset in the 2 nd		

year;

A3 = Return of the Best Performing Reference Asset in the 3rd year;

A4 = Return of the Best Performing Reference Asset in the 4th year; and

A5 = Return of the Best Performing Reference Asset in the 5th year.]

[Specify other]

Best Performing Reference Asset:

[The Reference Asset with the highest Return as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

Return = [(Final Reference Value/Initial Reference Value) – 1.0772]

[Specify other]

Re-Weighting:

[The Basket is re-weighted on each anniversary of the Issue Date by removing the Best Performing Reference Asset from the Basket on such anniversary date and re-weighting the Basket accordingly.

The Basket in the following year then comprises the remaining Reference Assets in equal Weights.]

[Specify other]

Emerging Market Disruption Events:

[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other]

Exchange:

[Specify] [Not Applicable]

Fund Reference Asset:

[Specify] [Not Applicable]

Initial Reference Value:

[In respect of each Reference Asset, the Reference Asset Closing Level on the Start Date.]

[Specify other]

Initial Reference Values

[Specify]

Reference Asset Closing Level:

[In respect of each Reference Asset, the official closing level of such Reference Asset quoted on the relevant exchange at the Valuation Time.]

[Specify other]

Final Reference Value :

[In respect of each Reference Asset the Reference Asset Closing Level of such Reference Asset on the Valuation Date.]

[Specify other]

Interest:

[Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Payment Dates: [Not Applicable]
 [] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
 [Specify other]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [Not Applicable]
 [[] per cent.] [per annum] [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
 [Specify other]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [Not Applicable]
 [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]
 [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]
 [Specify other]

Issuer Call: [Not Applicable] [Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Not Applicable] [Cash Amount] [Specify other]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [Not Applicable] [Specify other]

Issuer Call Date: [Not Applicable] [Specify other] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Not Applicable] [Specify other]

Maturity Date: [] [Specify other]

Reference Banks: [Not Applicable] [The principal London office of five leading dealers in the London interbank market which ordinarily provide quotations for the relevant Underlying Rate, if applicable, or any other rate requested by the Calculation Agent pursuant to Product Condition 4, as selected by the Issuer in its absolute discretion]

[Specify other]

Relevant Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other]

Trading Day: [In respect of each Reference Asset, a day on which the Relevant Exchange is open and each Related Exchange in relation to such Reference Asset (being, in the case of an Index, an options or futures exchange or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts or other derivatives contracts on such Index are traded), other than a day on which trading on any of the Relevant Exchange or the Related Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekly closing time.]

[Specify other]

Settlement Currency: [ZAR]

[Specify other]

Settlement Date: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[Specify other]

Valuation Date(s): [Each anniversary of the Issue Date]

Valuation Time: [The close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Reference Asset where the Fund is an exchange traded fund]

[11.00 hours Central European Time]

[Specify other]

ISIN: []

[Specify other]

Common Code: []

[Specify other]

Other Securities Code: [Not Applicable] [Symbol:]

[Specify other]

Indication of yield: [Not Applicable]

[Specify other]

Underlying Rate:

[Not Applicable]

[Specify other]

Pricing Date:

[Not Applicable]

[Specify other]

Amendments to General Conditions or Product Conditions:

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(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

Sales Restriction:

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE REFERENCE ASSET

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Reference Asset and its volatility can be obtained:

[Bloomberg][Reuters][specify other]

Index disclaimer(s):

MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED NOTES II

Series: *Multi-Asset Basket Linked Notes II due [] [Specify other]*

Nominal Amount: [] *[If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[Specify other]*

Additional Fund Events: [None] *[Specify other]*

Basket:

[“Basket Constituent”	“Weight”	“Share Company”	“Exchange”	“Basket Currency”	Constituent
<i>[specify each Basket Constituent and Bloomberg Code]</i>	<i>[Specify per cent Weight]</i>	<i>[Specify]</i>	<i>[Specify]</i>	<i>[Specify]</i>	
	<i>[Not Applicable]</i>	<i>[Not Applicable]</i>	<i>[Not Applicable]</i>	<i>[Not Applicable]</i>	
[“Index”]					
[“Share”]					
[“Fund”] <i>[Where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, include details of the Reference Asset]</i>					

Basket Return: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Business Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other]

Business Day Convention: [Modified Following][Following]

Cash Amount: [An amount equal to:
 $100\text{per cent} * \text{Nominal Amount} + \text{Nominal Amount} * \text{Participation} * [\text{Max (Basket Return, 0per cent)}]$
[Specify other]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other]

Final Averaging: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Fund Return: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Fund Final Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Fund Initial Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Fund Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Index Return: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Index Final Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Index Initial Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Index Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Payment Dates: [Not Applicable]
[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [Not Applicable]
[[] per cent.] [per annum]
[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
[Specify other]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [Not Applicable]
[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]
[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))]

	[Specify other]
Issuer Call:	[Not Applicable] [Applicable]
Issuer Call Cash Amount:	[Not Applicable] [Cash Amount] [Specify other]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[Not Applicable] [Specify other]
Issuer Call Date:	[Not Applicable] [Specify other] [See Issuer notice of call]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[Not Applicable] [Specify other]
Maturity Date:	[]
Participation:	[Not Applicable] [Specify other]
Relevant Currency:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	For the purpose of: Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180] [Not Applicable]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Settlement Date:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other]
Share Return:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Share Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Share Final Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Share Initial Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Standard Currency:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other]
Trading Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other]
Valuation Date(s):	[]
Valuation Time:	[The close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Reference Asset where the Fund is an exchange traded fund]

[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]

[11.00 hours Central European Time]

[Specify other]

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [Not Applicable] [Symbol:]

[Specify other]

Indication of yield: [Not Applicable]

[Specify other]

Amendments to General Conditions or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE BASKET CONSTITUENT

Page where information about the past and future performance of a Basket Constituent and its volatility can be obtained: [Bloomberg][Reuters][specify other]

Index disclaimer(s):

MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED NOTES III

Series: *Multi-Asset Basket Linked Notes III due [] [Specify other]*

Nominal Amount: [] *[If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]*

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] *[Specify other]*

Additional Fund Events: [None] *[Specify other]*

Basket:

["Basket Constituent"]	"Weight"	"Share Company"	"Exchange"	"Basket Constituent Currency"
<i>[specify each Basket Constituent and Bloomberg Code]</i>	<i>[Specify per cent Weight]</i>	<i>[Specify]</i>	<i>[Specify]</i>	<i>[Specify]</i>
<i>[first rate]</i> Screen Page: <i>[specify]</i> <i>[repeat as appropriate for other rates]</i> ["FX Rate1"] ["FX Rate2"] ["FX Rate3"] ["FX Rate4"] ["FX Rate5"] ["FX Rate6"]	<i>[Not Applicable]</i>	<i>[Not Applicable]</i>	<i>[Not Applicable]</i>	<i>[Not Applicable]</i>
["Certificate1"] ["Certificate2"]				
["Commodity1"] ["Commodity2"]				
["Commodity3"] ["Commodity4"]				
["Index1"] ["Index2"] ["Index3"]				
["Index4"] ["Index5"]				
["Share1"] ["Share2"] ["Share3"]				
["Fund1"] ["Fund2"] ["Fund3"] <i>[Where the Fund is an exchange traded fund, include details of the Reference Asset]</i>				

Basket Return: $[20\text{per cent} \times \text{Index Return} + 20\text{per cent} \times \text{Certificate Return} + 20\text{per cent} \times \text{Commodity Return} + 20\text{per cent} \times \text{FX Rate}]$

	Return + 20per cent x Real Estate Index Return]
	[Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other]
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]
Cash Amount:	[[Nominal Amount x (90per cent + 100per cent x Max [0; Basket Return – 0.9) + ((Participation – 100per cent) x Max [0; Basket Return – 1]))] [Specify other]
Certificate Final Reference Price (CertFRP):	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Certificate Initial Reference Price (CertIRP):	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Certificate Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Certificate Return:	$50\% \times \frac{\text{CertFRP of Commodity1}}{\text{CertIRP of Commodity1}} + 50\% \times \frac{\text{CertFRP of Commodity2}}{\text{CertIRP of Commodity2}}$ [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Commodity Final Reference Price (CFRP):	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Commodity Initial Reference Price (CIRP):	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Commodity Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Commodity Return:	$25\% \times \frac{\text{CFRP of Commodity1}}{\text{CIRP of Commodity1}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{CFRP of Commodity2}}{\text{CIRP of Commodity2}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{CFRP of Commodity4}}{\text{CIRP of Commodity4}}$ [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]
Fund Final Reference Price (FFRP):	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Fund Initial Reference Price (FIRP):	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Fund Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Fund Return:	[Specify] [Not Applicable]

FX Rate Final Reference Price (FXFRP):	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
FX Rate Initial Reference Price (FXIRP):	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
FX Rate Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
FX Rate Return:	$25\% \times \frac{\text{FXFRP of FXRate1}}{\text{FXIRP of FXRate1}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{FXFRP of FXRate2}}{\text{FXIRP of FXRate2}} + 16.67\% \times \frac{\text{FXFRP of FXRate3}}{\text{FXIRP of FXRate3}} + 16.67\% \times \frac{\text{FXFRP of FXRate4}}{\text{FXIRP of FXRate4}} + 16.66\% \times \frac{\text{FXFRP of FXRate5}}{\text{FXIRP of FXRate5}}$ [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Index Final Reference Price (IFRP):	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Index Initial Reference Price (IIRP):	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Index Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Index Return:	$25\% \times \frac{\text{IFRP of Index1}}{\text{IIRP of Index1}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{IFRP of Index2}}{\text{IIRP of Index2}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{IFRP of Index3}}{\text{IIRP of Index3}} + 25\% \times \frac{\text{IFRP of Index4}}{\text{IIRP of Index4}}$ [Specify other] [Not Applicable]
Interest:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Interest Payment Dates:	[Not Applicable] [] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other]
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]
Interest Rate:	[Not Applicable] [[] per cent.] [per annum] [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [Specify other]
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[Not Applicable] [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the

number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))]

[Specify other]

Issuer Call: [Not Applicable] [Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount: [Not Applicable] [Cash Amount] [Specify other]

Issuer Call Commencement Date: [Not Applicable] [Specify other]

Issuer Call Date: [Not Applicable] [Specify other] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period: [Not Applicable] [Specify other]

Maturity Date: []

Participation: [Not Applicable] [Specify other]

Real Estate Index Return: $[100\% \times \frac{\text{IFRP of Index 5}}{\text{IIRP of Index 5}}]$
 [Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Relevant Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days: For the purpose of:
 Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
 [Not Applicable]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
 [Specify other]

Share Final Reference Price (SFRP): [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
 [Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Share Initial Reference Price (SIRP): [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
 [Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Share Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
 [Specify other] [Not Applicable]

Share Return: [Specify] [Not Applicable]

Standard Currency: [As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Trading Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies]
 [Specify other]

Valuation Date(s): []

Valuation Time: [(i) in respect of each Index, Fund, Certificate and Share the definition in Product Condition 1 applies, (ii) in respect of each Commodity [The time of the London [morning] [daily] fixing currently [10:30am] [12:15pm] London time] [The time at which the Exchange publishes the daily closing price] and (iii) in respect of each FX Rate [11.00 hours Central European Time]]

[The close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Reference Asset where the Fund is an exchange traded fund]

[Specify other]

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [Not Applicable] [Symbol:]

[Specify other]

Indication of yield: [Not Applicable]

[Specify other]

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INFORMATION ON THE BASKET CONSTITUENT

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Index disclaimer(s):

FUND LINKED NOTES

Series: [Fund] Notes due [] Series []

Nominal Amount: [] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]

Issue Price: []

Additional Fund Events: [None] [specify]

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] [specify]

Basket: [Applicable] [Not Applicable please delete below specification if]

“Fund”	“Reference Asset”	“Weight”	“Exchange”:
:	[of the Fund ISIN: []]	[Specify percentage weight]	[specify exchange of Fund]
[specify] [Not Applicable]		[Not Applicable]	[Not Applicable]

Business Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Business Day Convention: [Modified Following][Following]

Cash Amount: [An amount equal to Nominal Amount * 100per cent] [specify other]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Exchange: [specify exchange of Fund] [Not Applicable]

Final Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Fund: [Specify] [Bloomberg Code []][See Basket]

Initial Reference Price: []

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [specify other]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [[] per cent.] [per annum] [Not Applicable] [specify other]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month)))]

[*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call:

[Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount:

[Cash Amount] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date:

[] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date:

[*specify*] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period:

[] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date:

[]

Reference Asset:

[[] of the Fund (ISIN: [])] [see Basket] [*specify other*]

Reference Banks:

[The principal London office of five leading dealers in the London interbank market which ordinarily provide quotations for the relevant Underlying Rate, if applicable, or any other rate requested by the Calculation Agent pursuant to Product Condition 4, as selected by the Issuer in its absolute discretion] [*specify other*]

Relevant Currency:

[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Relevant Number of Trading Days:

Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Underlying Rate: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Standard Currency:

[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Underlying Rate(s):

[*first rate*]
Screen Page: [*specify*]
[*repeat as appropriate for other rates*]

Underlying Rate Valuation Date(s):

[] [or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day]

Settlement Currency:

[]

Settlement Date: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Trading Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*]

Valuation Date(s): []

Valuation Time: [11.00 hours Central European Time] [*specify other*]
 [The close of trading on the relevant Exchange in relation to a Reference Asset where the Fund is an exchange traded fund]

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: [] [Not Applicable]

Amendments to General Conditions or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]
 (*When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive*)

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INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained: [Bloomberg][Reuters][*specify other*]

Series: [*Index*] Notes due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

BASKET RELATED CAPITAL PROTECTED NOTES

Series:	<i>Basket Related Capital Protected Notes due [] Series []</i>	
Nominal Amount:	[] <i>[If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]</i>	
Issue Price:	[]	
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None] <i>[specify]</i>	
Basket:	The Basket shall be comprised of the following components:	
["Index Component"]	"Weight"	
<i>[specify]</i> Index (" Index A ") (Bloomberg: <i>[specify]</i>)	<i>[specify]</i> per cent	
<i>[specify]</i> Index (" Index B ") (Bloomberg: <i>[specify]</i>)	<i>[specify]</i> per cent	
["Real Estate Index Component"]	"Weight"	
<i>[specify]</i> (" Index C ") (Bloomberg: <i>[specify]</i>)	<i>[specify]</i> per cent	
<i>[specify]</i> (" Index D ") (Bloomberg: <i>[specify]</i>)	<i>[specify]</i> per cent	
["Bond Index Component"]	"Weight"	
<i>[specify]</i> (" Index E ") (Bloomberg: <i>[specify]</i>)	<i>[specify]</i> per cent	
<i>[specify]</i> (" Index F ") (Bloomberg: <i>[specify]</i>)	<i>[specify]</i> per cent	
["Commodity Component"]	"Exchange"	"Weight"
<i>[specify]</i> (" Commodity A ") (Bloomberg: <i>[specify]</i>)	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i> per cent
<i>[specify]</i> (" Commodity B ") (Bloomberg: <i>[specify]</i>)	<i>[specify]</i>	<i>[specify]</i> per cent
Bond Index Component Performance:	<i>[specify]</i> [Not Applicable]	
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]	
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount * 100per cent] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Commodity Component Performance:	<i>[specify]</i> [Not Applicable]	
Commodity Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]	
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i>	
Index Component Performance:	<i>[specify]</i> [Not Applicable]	
Index Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] <i>[specify other]</i> [Not Applicable]	

Initial Commodity Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Initial Index Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] [*specify other*]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1][*specify other*][Not Applicable]

Interest Rate: [In respect of the [*specify*] Interest Period[s]][[] per cent.] [per annum] [*specify other*] [Not Applicable]

[In respect of the [*specify*] Interest Period[s]], an Interest Amount determined by the Calculation Agent as follows:

The greater of:

- (i) zero; and
- (ii) (([] per cent x Index Component Performance) + ([]per cent x Real Estate Index Component Performance) + ([]per cent x Bond Index Component Performance) + ([]per cent x Commodity Component Performance)) minus 1; and
- (iii) (([] per cent x Index Component Performance) + ([]per cent x Real Estate Index Component Performance) + ([]per cent x Bond Index Component Performance) + ([]per cent x Commodity Component Performance)) minus 1; and
- (iv) (([] per cent x Index Component Performance) + ([]per cent x Real Estate Index Component Performance) + ([]per cent x Bond Index Component Performance) + ([]per cent x Commodity Component Performance)) minus 1]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction: [In respect of the [*specify*] Interest Period[s]]

[Interest required to be calculated in respect of a period of less than a full [year], shall be calculated on the basis of (a) the actual number of days in the period from and including the date from which interest begins to accrue (the "Accrual Date") to but excluding the date on which it falls due divided by (b) the actual number of days from and including the Accrual Date to but excluding the next following Interest Payment Date]

[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366]

[The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30th or 31st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of

February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))]

[specify other] [Not Applicable]

Interim Cash Settlement Amount:

[Applicable] [An amount calculated in accordance with the following formula:

Nominal Amount x {the greater of:

- (i) zero; or
- (ii) (([] per cent x Index Component Performance) + ([] per cent x Real Estate Index Component Performance) + ([] per cent x Bond Index Component Performance) + ([] per cent x Commodity Component Performance)) minus 1; or
- (iii) (([] per cent x Index Component Performance) + ([] per cent x Real Estate Index Component Performance) + ([] per cent x Bond Index Component Performance) + ([] per cent x Commodity Component Performance)) minus 1; or
- (iv) (([] per cent x Index Component Performance) + ([] per cent x Real Estate Index Component Performance) + ([] per cent x Bond Index Component Performance) + ([] per cent x Commodity Component Performance)) minus 1}}

[specify other]

[Not Applicable]

Interim Cash Settlement Amount Payment Date:

[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify date]
[Not Applicable]

Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date:

[specify date] [Valuation Date occurring on []] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call:

[Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Cash Amount:

[Cash Amount] [specify other] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Commencement Date:

[] [Not Applicable]

Issuer Call Date:

[specify] [See Issuer notice of call]

Issuer Call Notice Period:

[] [Not Applicable]

Maturity Date:

[]

Pricing Date:

[]

Real Estate Index Component Performance:

[specify] [Not Applicable]

Relevant Currency:

[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days:

Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Interim Cash Settlement Amount Valuation Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Issuer Call Date: [5, or in respect of an Emerging Market

Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency: []

Settlement Date: [The Maturity Date [or if later the third Business Day following the final Valuation Date *[specify other]*

Standard Currency: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Trading Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

Valuation Date(s): []

Valuation Time: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] *[specify other]*

ISIN: []

Common Code: []

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: [] [Not Applicable]

Amendments to General Conditions or Product Conditions: [Amendments to the General Conditions and/or Product Conditions as required by applicable consumer protection and other laws and/or clearing system and exchange rules. Such amendments may be (i) deletion of one or more General Conditions and/or Product Conditions in part or in its entirety; (ii) addition of disclosure and/or publication requirements; (iii) changes to pay off and other formula's; (iv) addition of clearing system details and applicable clearing rules and arrangements agreed between the Issuer and the relevant clearing system; (v) disclosure of fees applicable in connection with any exercise rights the Holders of Securities may have and (vi) other changes which are not materially prejudicial to the interest of the holders of Securities.]

(When making any such amendments consideration should be given to as to whether such terms constitute “significant new factors” and consequently trigger the need for a supplement to the Base Prospectus under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive)

Sales Restriction: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”) and the Securities may not be exercised, offered, sold, transferred or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Furthermore, trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended and no U.S. person may at any time trade or maintain a position in the Securities.

INFORMATION ON THE UNDERLYING

Page(s) where information about the past and future performance of the Underlying and its volatility can be obtained: [Bloomberg][Reuters]*[specify other]*

Series:

Basket related capital protected] Notes due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

COMMODITY NOTES

Series: [Commodity] Notes due [] Series []

Nominal Amount: [] [If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)]

Issue Price: []

Additional Market Disruption Events: [None] [specify]

Basket:

[“Commodity”	“Exchange”	“Weight”
[specify each Commodity and Bloomberg/Reuters Code]	[Specify] [Not Applicable]	[specify]

Business Day: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Business Day Convention: [Modified Following][Following]

Cash Amount: [Nominal Amount x (100per cent + Participation x Max [0, Commodity Performance])]
[specify other]

Commodity: [] [See Basket]

Commodity Performance: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
[Not Applicable]

Emerging Market Disruption Events: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]

Exchange: [] [See Basket]

Exchange Rate: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
[Not Applicable]

Final Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
[Not Applicable]

Initial Reference Price: [The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [specify other]
[Not Applicable]

Interest: [Applicable] [Not Applicable]

Interest Payment Dates: [[] [and []]] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being [] [Not Applicable] [specify other]

Interest Period: [As stated in Product Condition 1][specify other][Not Applicable]

Interest Rate:	[[] per cent. per annum] [Not Applicable] [<i>specify other</i>]
Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:	[The actual number of days in the relevant period divided by 365 save that for a portion which any such period falls in a leap year, the number of days in such portion shall be divided by 366] [The number of days in the relevant period divided by 360 (the number of days to be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months (unless (i) the last day of the Interest Period is the 31 st day of a month but the first day of the Interest Period is a day other than the 30 th or 31 st day of a month, in which case the month that includes that last day shall not be considered to be shortened to a 30-day month, or (ii) the last day of the Interest Period is the last day of the month of February, in which case the month of February shall not be considered to be lengthened to a 30 day month))] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Cash Amount:	[Cash Amount] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Commencement Date:	[] [Not Applicable]
Issuer Call Date:	[<i>specify</i>] [See Issuer notice of call]
Issuer Call Notice Period:	[] [Not Applicable]
Maturity Date:	[]
Participation:	[]
Relevant Currency:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [<i>specify other</i>]
Relevant Number of Business Days:	[]
Relevant Number of Trading Days:	[5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]
Settlement Currency:	[]
Standard Currency:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [<i>specify other</i>]
Underlying Currency:	[]
Valuation Date(s):	[]
Valuation Time:	[The time of the London [morning] [daily] fixing currently [10:30am] [12:15pm] London time] [The time at which the Exchange publishes the daily closing price] [<i>specify other</i>] [Not Applicable]
ISIN:	[]
Common Code:	[]

Other Securities Code: [] [Symbol:]

Indication of yield: [] [Not Applicable]

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[Bloomberg][Reuters][specify other]

Series:

[Commodity] Notes due [] Series []

[repeat as above for each new Series]

INDEX AND INFLATION INDEX NOTES

Series:	[<i>Index and Inflation Index</i>] Notes due [] Series []	
Nominal Amount:	[] [<i>If the Securities are issued pursuant to a prospectus which is required to be compliant with the Prospectus Directive, then the minimum denomination of the Securities may need to be Euro 1,000 (or its foreign currency equivalent)</i>]	
Issue Price:	[]	
Additional Market Disruption Events:	[None][specify]	
Basket:	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]	
Index [specify]	Inflation Index [specify]	Bloomberg Code [specify]
Business Day:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [<i>specify other</i>]	
Business Day Convention:	[Modified Following][Following]	
Cash Amount:	[Nominal Amount x 100per cent] [<i>specify other</i>]	
Emerging Market Disruption Events:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]	
Final Reference Price:	[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies] [<i>specify other</i>]	
Index:	[[] (Bloomberg Code: [])] [See Basket] [Not Applicable]	
Index Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]	
Index Initial Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]	
Inflation Index:	[[<i>Inflation Index</i>] published on a [monthly] [<i>other</i>] basis by the [], as displayed on Bloomberg '[] <Index>' (or such other page as may replace that page, or such other information service as may be selected by the Calculation Agent, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, for the purpose of displaying the Inflation Index)] [<i>specify other</i>]	
Inflation Index Final Reference Price:	[As stated in Product Condition 1] [<i>specify other</i>]	
Interest:	[Applicable][Not Applicable]	
Interest Amount:	[Nominal Amount x Interest Rate x Interest Rate Day Count Fraction] [<i>specify other</i>]	
Interest Payment Dates:	[[] in each year up to and including the Maturity Date, with the first Interest Payment Date being []] [Not Applicable] [<i>specify other</i>]	
Interest Period:	[As stated in Product Condition 1][<i>specify other</i>][Not Applicable]	
Interest Rate:	[(i) If (Index Final Reference Price/Index Initial Reference Price) is greater than (CPTFEMU _t /CPTFEMU ₀):	

$$3.25\% + \text{Max} \left[0, \left(\frac{\text{CPTFEMU}_t}{\text{CPTFEMU}_{t-1}} \right) - 1 \right]; \text{ otherwise}$$

$$(ii) \text{ Max} \left[0, \left(\frac{\text{CPTFEMU}_t}{\text{CPTFEMU}_{t-1}} \right) - 1 \right]$$

Where:

CPTFEMU₀ is the Inflation Index Final Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the year [];

CPTFEMU_t is the Inflation Index Final Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the same year as the relevant Interest Payment Date;

CPTFEMU_{t-1} is the Inflation Index Final Reference Price for the Valuation Month in the year immediately preceding the year in which the relevant Interest Payment Date falls]

[For example] [specify example]

Interest Rate Day Count Fraction:

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[Specify Other][Not Applicable]

Maturity Date:

[]

Pricing Date(s):

[]

Relevant Currency:

[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Months:

[2] [specify other]

Relevant Number of Trading Days:

5, or in respect of an Emerging Market Disruption Event only, 180]

Settlement Currency:

[]

Settlement Date:

[The definition in Product Condition 1 applies][specify other]

Standard Currency:

[As stated in Product Condition 1] [specify other]

Underlying Currency:

[]

Valuation Date(s):

[]

Valuation Month(s):

[]

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[repeat as above for each new Series]

MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

Save as disclosed in the Issuer’s LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference therein, there has been no significant change in the financial position of the Issuer since 31st December 2009. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or

prospects of the Issuer since 31st December 2009, other than as disclosed in the Issuer's LaunchPAD Programme, as supplemented from time to time, and/or the documents incorporated by reference therein.

RESPONSIBILITY

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in the Base Prospectus, as completed and/or amended by these Final Terms. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

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