

# Press release

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## **New governance at Fortis Bank Nederland and ABN AMRO**

On 1 April 2010, Fortis Bank (Nederland) N.V. and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. were transferred to the same holding company, ABN AMRO Group N.V. On that date, the shares in Fortis Bank (Nederland) N.V. held by the Dutch State were transferred to the state-owned ABN AMRO Group N.V.

Both banks will operate as independent entities under this holding company until the legal merger, which is scheduled to be effected in the second half of 2010. As from today, the holding and both banks will be run by a Managing Board and a Supervisory Board composed of the same members.

Until 1 April, the Management Board of Fortis Bank (Nederland) N.V. was composed of Jan van Rutte, Frans van der Horst, Fred Bos and Jeroen Dijst. As from today, the members of the Managing Board are:

- Gerrit Zalm - Chairman
- Jan van Rutte – Vice Chairman and CFO
- Johan van Hall - Chief Operating Officer
- Caroline Princen - HR, Communication, Compliance, Legal and Sustainability
- Wietze Reehoorn - Risk Management (CRO) & Strategy
- Chris Vogelzang - Retail & Private Banking
- Joop Wijn - Commercial & Merchant Banking

Until 1 April the Supervisory Board of Fortis Bank (Nederland) N.V. was composed of Hessel Lindenbergh, Erik van de Merwe, Inge Brakman, Michael Enthoven, Ada van de Veer-Vergeer and H el ene Vletter - van Dort. As from today, its members are:

- Hessel Lindenbergh (Chairman) - former member of Executive Board of ING Group
- Hans de Haan - former partner at Ernst & Young
- Steven ten Have – Professor of Strategy and Change at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and partner at Ten Have Change Management
- Bert Meerstadt MBA – CEO of Nederlandse Spoorwegen
- Marjan Oudeman MBA - Executive Director of Corus Strip Products Division
- Annemieke Roobeek – Professor of Strategy and Transformation Management at Business Universiteit Nyenrode and Director of MeetingMoreMinds
- Peter Wakkie – Lawyer

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Jan van Rutte, Vice Chairman of the Managing Board: *“The appointments to the new Managing and Supervisory Boards mark an important step in the creation of the new bank. The members of the former Management Board of Fortis Bank Nederland can now devote their undivided attention to their new roles in the combined bank. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the members stepping down for their important contributions and commitment to the development of Fortis Bank Nederland. Their efforts have helped prepare Fortis Bank Nederland for the integration.”*

Hessel Lindenbergh, Chairman of the Supervisory Board: *“I am pleased with the diversity of backgrounds of the members of the Supervisory Board, each of whom brings to the new bank valuable knowledge and experience in a wide variety of disciplines. I am fully confident about the future of the bank.”*

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